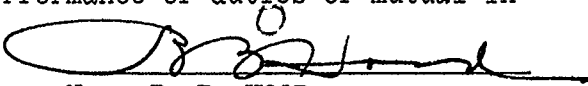


THE FBI PLEDGE FOR LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS

Humbly recognizing the responsibilities entrusted to me, I do vow that I shall always consider the high calling of law enforcement to be an honorable profession, the duties of which are recognized by me as both an art and a science. I recognize fully my responsibilities to defend the right, to protect the weak, to aid the distressed, and to uphold the law in public duty and in private living. I accept the obligation in connection with my assignments to report facts and to testify without bias or display of emotion, and to consider the information, coming to my knowledge by virtue of my position as a sacred trust, to be used solely for official purposes. To the responsibilities entrusted to me of seeking to prevent crime, of finding the facts of law violations and of apprehending fugitives and criminals, I shall give my loyal and faithful attention and shall always be equally alert in striving to acquit the innocent and to convict the guilty. In the performance of my duties and assignments, I shall not engage in unlawful and unethical practices but shall perform the functions of my office without fear, without favor, and without prejudice. At no time shall I disclose to an unauthorized person any fact, testimony, or information in any pending matter coming to my official knowledge which may be calculated to prejudice the minds of existing or prospective judicial bodies either to favor or to disfavor any person or issue. While occupying the status of a law enforcement officer or at any other time subsequent thereto, I shall not seek to benefit personally because of my knowledge of any confidential matter which has come to my attention. I am aware of the serious responsibilities of my office and in the performance of my duties I shall, as a minister, seek to supply comfort, advice and aid to those who may be in need of such benefits; as a soldier, I shall wage vigorous warfare against the enemies of my country, of its laws, and of its principles; and as a physician, I shall seek to eliminate the criminal parasite which preys upon our social order and to strengthen the lawful processes of our body politic. I shall strive to be both a teacher and a pupil in the art and science of law enforcement. As a lawyer, I shall acquire due knowledge of the laws of my domain and seek to preserve and maintain the majesty and dignity of the law; as a scientist, it will be my endeavor to learn all pertinent truth about accusations and complaints which come to my lawful knowledge; as an artist, I shall seek to use my skill for the purpose of making each assignment a masterpiece; as a neighbor, I shall bear an attitude of true friendship and courteous respect to all citizens; and as an officer, I shall always be loyal to my duty, my organization, and my country. I will support and defend the Constitution of the United States against all enemies, foreign and domestic; I will bear true faith and allegiance to the same, and will constantly strive to cooperate with and promote cooperation between all regularly constituted law enforcement agencies and officers in the performance of duties of mutual interest and obligation.

67-3-116
January 24, 1938.

Date


Name R. B. HOOD,
Special Agent in Charge.
Title
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Law Enforcement Organization.

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Form PR No. 1 revised

Bureau No. _____

DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
PERSONNEL RECOMMENDATION SHEET

Name:

Mr. Richard S. Good

Date:

February 1, 1938

Present Status

1. Title: Special Agent 2. Grade: CAP 12
 3. Salary: \$4500 per annum 4. Seat of Government: (p)
 Field: ()
 5. Division: 6. Appropriation: "Salaries and Expenses,
 Federal Bureau of Investigation"

Proposed Change

7. Title: Special Agent 8. Grade: CAP 12
 9. Salary: \$4500 per annum 10. Seat of Government: (p)
 Field: ()
 11. Division: 12. Appropriation: "Salaries and Expenses,
 Federal Bureau of Investigation"
 13. Effective: February 1, 1938 14. Position: Additional: ()
 Vice:

Identical:

15. Remarks:

Respectfully submitted,

Director, Federal Bureau of Investigation.

Date

Initial

Requirements as to Classification Act:

Efficiency () _____

Average provision () _____

approved:

The Administrative Assistant
to the Attorney General.

Funds certification:

approved:

The Assistant
to the Attorney General.

Note: If more than one personnel change is proposed, schedule the same on a separate sheet under captions 1 to 15 above, and attach hereto.

RAT:JML

February 6, 1936.

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

Time: 6:01 P. M.

SAC Hood called from Knoxville with reference to O. B. Wright and Otis Jones, who are in custody of SAC Bugar, and at present lodged in jail in Birmingham. He stated that there had been a payroll robbery in Chattanooga about eight weeks ago, in which about \$25,000 in cash and an unknown amount in checks was stolen.

Mr. Hood went on to state that yesterday the pictures of Wright were exhibited to the witnesses in the payroll holdup, by Mr. Farley at Chattanooga, and Wright was almost definitely identified as being implicated in the holdup. Today those witnesses went to Birmingham with the Detectives from Chattanooga and interviewed Wright and Jones in a lineup with twelve other persons. Two of the witnesses positively identified Wright as being the man who committed the payroll robbery. Mr. Hood stated that Wright has not yet admitted this robbery, but he has not been closely questioned in this connection by Mr. Bugar, and further that he has not been questioned at all in the last three or four days. This is going to be done, and it is expected that Wright will deny this robbery, since he has already stated that he told everything that he has done.

Mr. Hood stated that the purpose of his call was to request permission to make a release on this matter simultaneously with Mr. Bugar. I told him that it seemed to me to be the story of the Police, but Mr. Hood said that it was through our arrangement, and with Mr. Farley exhibiting the pictures that the identification was made. He stated that Bureau Agents were present at the lineup, which was held in the jail in Birmingham in which the subjects are held.

Mr. Hood then stated that they had checked on the possibility of a charge on National Stolen Property Act, but the value of the checks was uncertain, and so this was not done.

IT LOOKS TO ME AS IF HOOD
WAS RIGHT ON THE JOB LOOKING
AFTER INTERESTS OF FBI.

J.E.H.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

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I told Mr. Hood that we did not want to take credit for something and have it also look as criticism of the Bureau, but must be certain of an released memo. He said that the Commissioner in Gloucester will make a release of some kind, and will not give the Bureau proper credit.

It was decided that Mr. Hood and Mr. Jagan could both arrange to have the Press call them for information, and thus avoid the possibility of criticism which might otherwise arise.

Respectfully,

E. A. Tamm

AHC:TW
67-35038

February 11, 1938.

Mr. Richard B. Hood,
Federal Bureau of Investigation,
United States Department of Justice,
Post Office Box 2150,
Knoxville, Tennessee.

Dear Mr. Hood:

It is with pleasure that I am enclosing
a letter from the Attorney General advising you of
your promotion from \$4800 per annum to \$5000 per
annum in Grade CAF 12, effective February 1, 1938.

Sincerely yours,

John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

Enclosure.

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ADDRESS REPLY TO
"THE ATTORNEY GENERAL"
AND REFER TO
INITIALS AND NUMBER

DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

WASHINGTON, D. C.

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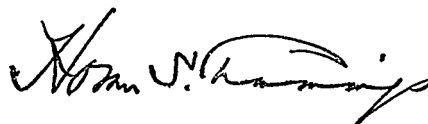
February 1, 1933

Mr. Richard B. Hood,
Federal Bureau of Investigation,
Department of Justice.

Dear Mr. Hood:

Your salary as a Special Agent in the Federal Bureau of Investigation, Department of Justice, is hereby increased from \$4800 per annum to \$5000 per annum in Grade GS-12, effective February 1, 1933, and payable from the appropriation for "Salaries and Expenses, Federal Bureau of Investigation", field.

Respectfully,



Attorney General.

By the Attorney General:

(Signed) Joseph B. Keenan

Assistant to the Attorney General.

**Federal Bureau of Investigation
United States Department of Justice**

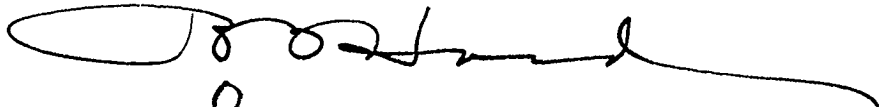
Post Office Box 2150
Knoxville, Tennessee
February 21, 1938

Director,
Federal Bureau of Investigation,
Washington, D. C.

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Dear Sir:

Mr. E. C. DOVAT, Cashier, Park National Bank, Knoxville, Tennessee, has been very friendly with me and evidenced an interest in the work of this bureau in general. On several occasions he has mentioned to me the desirability of joining the Kiwanis Club of Knoxville, of which he is a member. Mr. DOVAT called on me with Mr. C. E. JORDAN, JR., City Freight Agent for the Louisville and Nashville Railroad Company, on February 17th with further respect to joining that organization, and after some discussion I agreed to affiliate with it, believing that a great deal of good can be accomplished thereby. It will enable me to meet business and professional men of this community with whom I would otherwise not have contact. Several community organizations have at various times mentioned membership to me, however, no definite answer had been given them, and I believe that associations in the Kiwanis Club equal, if not surpass, those of the other organizations. OR

Very truly yours,



R. B. HOOD,
Special Agent in Charge.

RBH:FN

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February 28, 1938.

Mr. L. M. Wood,
Federal Bureau of Investigation,
U. S. Department of Justice,
Post Office Box 2150,
Knoxville, Tennessee.

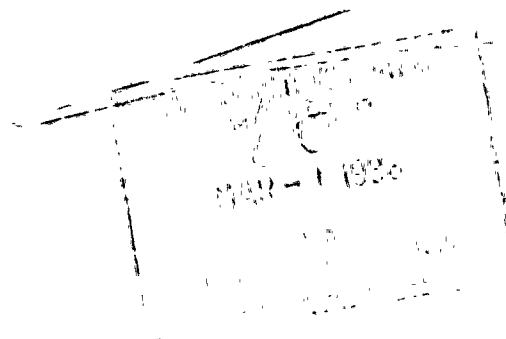
Dear Mr. Wood:

Receipt is acknowledged of your letter of February 21, 1938, in which you advise the Bureau of the invitation received to affiliate with the Kiwanis Club of Knoxville.

Please be advised that the Bureau has no objection to your plan to become affiliated with this Club.

Sincerely yours,
For the Director,

Harold Nathan,
Assistant Director.



Mr. Nathan	
Mr. Tolson	
Mr. Baughman	
Mr. Clegg	
Mr. Coffey	
Mr. Crowl	
Mr. Egan	
Mr. Foxworth	
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Mr. Lester	
Mr. McIntire	
Mr. Naughton	
Mr. Nichols	
Mr. Pennington	
Mr. Rosen	
Mr. Schilder	
Mr. Tamm	.....
Mr. Tracy	.....
Miss Gandy	.....

Post Office Box 2150,
Knoxville, Tennessee.
February 21, 1938.

Mr. J. Edgar Hoover,
Federal Bureau of Investigation,
U. S. Department of Justice,
Washington, D. C.

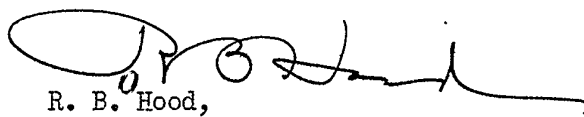
Dear Mr. Hoover:

I am in receipt of your letter of
February 11, 1938 advising of my promotion to \$5000
per annum in Grade CAF 12, effective February 1, 1938.

This latest expression of your
confidence in me is indeed appreciated. I am aware
of the great confidence that you have placed in me
and shall continue to devote my best efforts to serve
you and the Bureau.

With kindest regards,

Sincerely yours,



R. B. Hood,
Special Agent in Charge.

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JAN 29 1938

[Handwritten initials and signatures]

**Federal Bureau of Investigation
United States Department of Justice**

Post Office Box 2150
Knoxville, Tennessee
February 28, 1938

Director,
Federal Bureau of Investigation,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

In accordance with previous Bureau
request, there are transmitted herewith six
recent photographs of the writer.

Very truly yours,

R. B. Hood
R. B. HOOD, *esp*

RBH:FN

Special Agent in Charge.

Enclosures.

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April 16, 1938.

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Mr. R. B. Hood,
Federal Bureau of Investigation,
U. S. Department of Justice,
Post Office Box 2150,
Knoxville, Tennessee.

Dear Mr. Hood:

I wish to acknowledge receipt of your letter dated April 12, 1938, suggesting that leads of a general nature for the purpose of checking telephone and street directories in leading cities within each field office district be discontinued.

For your information, in a number of fugitive investigations which have been handled in the past it has been found that the fugitives have been listed in both the telephone and street directories, and it was for this reason that the Bureau issued instructions that such directories be checked in instances where the apprehension of a fugitive is being sought.

It is not felt that this will necessitate any large amount of work and, in fact, it is believed that it might very readily be accomplished in each field office. It is, of course, not contemplated that any investigation will be conducted outside the field office, inasmuch as directories should be maintained in each office for the principal cities within its district.

I appreciate the interest in the work of the Bureau which prompted you to submit this suggestion, but inasmuch as valuable results have been obtained in the past it is not felt desirable to adopt your suggestion at this time.

Sincerely yours,

John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

Federal Bureau of Investigation
United States Department of Justice

Post Office Box 2150
Knoxville, Tennessee
April 12, 1938

Director,
Federal Bureau of Investigation,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

I have noted a recent tendency on the part of many field offices to set out general leads for all other offices to check telephone books and city directories in the leading cities with a view to locating fugitives whose apprehension is being sought. It appears to me that in the average case this is a useless procedure to follow and a waste of time, and except in major cases, unless instructed to the contrary by the Bureau, such leads will not be covered by this office. In most cases there is no evidence to indicate that the fugitives might visit or make contacts in one section of the country and the leads are being set out for all offices without regards to known contacts and acquaintances.

The situation appears to me to be similar to the wide-spread circularization of State Motor Vehicle Bureaus, as it was practiced before the Bureau established the rule that prior authority must be secured for all such circularizations. It occurs to me that the Bureau may possibly desire to issue some instructions to the various offices with reference to the general searching of city directories, as mentioned above.

Very truly yours,

H. B. WOOD,
Special Agent in Charge.

RBH:KEL

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May 16, 1938

Mrs. Richard B. Hood
Federal Bureau of Investigation
U.S. Department of Justice
Post Office Box 2150
Knoxville, Tennessee

Dear Mr. Hood:

You are hereby directed to proceed to New Orleans, Louisiana, and assume the duties of Special Agent in Charge of the New Orleans Field Division.

Special Agent E. Russell Davis has been instructed to proceed to Knoxville, Tennessee, as Acting Special Agent in Charge of the Bureau Office there. You should proceed to New Orleans immediately after Agent Davis' arrival in Knoxville.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

AIR MAIL

cc New Orleans

67-200-124

**Federal Bureau of Investigation
United States Department of Justice**

Post Office Box 2150
Knoxville, Tennessee
May 21, 1938

Director,
Federal Bureau of Investigation,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

0 There is enclosed herewith the personnel file of
R. B. HOOD, who is now assigned to the New Orleans Office.

Very truly yours,

E. R. Davis

E. R. DAVIS,
Special Agent in Charge.

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SIC:MR

June 2, 1939

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Reverend C. L. Bowden
First Baptist Church
121 Lynn Avenue
Elizabethton, Tennessee

Dear Reverend Bowden:

Receipt is acknowledged of your kind letter of May 24, 1939 in which you have expressed your appreciation for the copy of my address which was recently forwarded to you.

I appreciate your complimentary remarks concerning Mr. Lee's efforts in your community, and although he has left to assume the duties of Special Agent in Charge of this Bureau's New Orleans Field Division, I am sure that you will enjoy meeting Mr. S. L. Davis, the new Special Agent in Charge at Knoxville.

With best wishes and kind regards,

Sincerely yours,

cc: Knoxville
cc: New Orleans

Mr. Nathan
Mr. Tolson
Mr. Baughman
Mr. Clegg
Mr. Coffey
Mr. Crowl
Mr. Dawsey
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FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH
121 Lynn Avenue
Elizabethton, Tennessee

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May 24, 1934.

Dear Mr. Hoover:-

Thanks for your address. It has been deeply appreciated. I am grateful to have the benefit of these expressions from you and your office.

I regret Mr. Hood, whom we have come to admire so much is going so far from us. Dick is a fine boy and most conscientious. At his club of Y's men in Knoxville a week ago I was guest-speaker. He is very hospitable. You have a great and faithful helper in him.

Thanks again,

Sincerely yours,

(s) C. L. Bowden

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JOHN EDGAR HOOVER
DIRECTOR

Federal Bureau of Investigation
United States Department of Justice
Washington, D. C.

Director,
Federal Bureau of Investigation,
United States Department of Justice,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

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For inclusion in the fund to be paid to the widow or designated beneficiary of any Special Agent of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, United States Department of Justice, who has contributed to this fund and who may lose his life by violence in line of official duty, I am forwarding herewith (by CHECK - ~~MONEY ORDER~~) the sum of ten dollars (\$10), made payable to the Chief Clerk of said Bureau, to be included in said fund. It is understood and agreed that the sum tendered herewith is a voluntary, gratuitous contribution to said fund, which I understand is to be administered in the following manner:

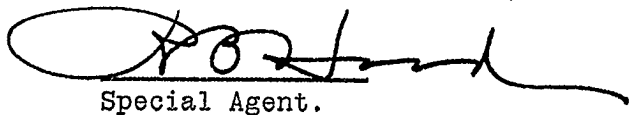
The Director of the Bureau will appoint a committee which shall consider all matters pertaining to the acquisition, safe keeping, and expending of said fund, which committee will recommend appropriate action to the Director of the Bureau in pertinent matters. The Chief Clerk of said Bureau shall receive all contributions and account for same to the Director.

Upon the death of any Special Agent, the appointed committee will consider the case and submit a recommendation to the Director as to its conclusions. In the event of a finding that the death was, by violence in line of official duty, appropriate instructions will be issued to the Chief Clerk, directing him to pay to the designated beneficiary the full amount of said fund as of the date of death.

The following person is hereby designated as my beneficiary:

Name Hilda F. Hood Address To Bureau office to which
I am assigned.
Relationship Wife

Very truly yours,


Special Agent.

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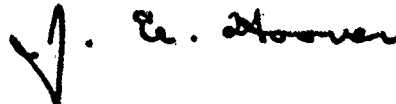
June 18, 1933

Mr. E. D. Hood
Federal Bureau of Investigation
United States Department of Justice
Washington, D. C.

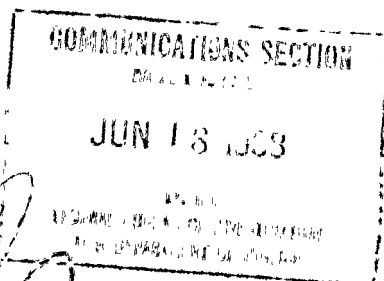
Dear Mr. Hood:

This will acknowledge receipt of your contribution of \$10 to the fund to be paid to the designated beneficiary of any participating Special Agent of the Bureau who may lose his life by violence in the line of official duty.

Very truly yours,



John Edgar Hoover,
Director.



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June 21, 1938
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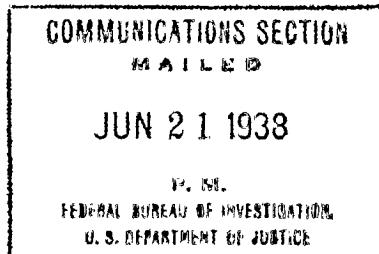
Mr. R. D. Hood
Federal Bureau of Investigation
U. S. Department of Justice
1308 Masonic Temple Building
New Orleans, Louisiana

Dear Mr. Hood:-

I appreciate very much your letter of June 11th submitting suggestions for the improvement of the Bureau's operations, and I want to assure you that your suggestions will receive very careful consideration by the officials of the Bureau at the Seat of Government.

With kindest personal regards,

Sincerely yours,



REH:als

1308 Masonic Temple Building
New Orleans, Louisiana
June 11, 1938

Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

In compliance with Bureau letter of June 1, 1938
there are transmitted herewith for your consideration three
suggestions which I believe may be of some value to the Bureau.

Very truly yours,

Encls.-3

R. B. HOOD
Special Agent in Charge

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6/14/38

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SUGGESTION

In connection with important cases such as kidnappings and special assignments, the Bureau could, I believe, save considerable funds in communications bills by immediately leasing a direct wire from the Bureau office involved or from the town where the investigation is being made to headquarters at Washington, D. C.

In view of the numerous communications between the Bureau and the New York Office, it is suggested that a permanent leased wire to that place would, during the course of the year, prove to be an economical investment.

R. B. HOOD
Special Agent in Charge

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SUGGESTION

Whenever a new Special Agent in Charge is appointed to a Bureau office, and when that individual has not had previous experience in running an office, it is suggested that the Bureau send an experienced SAC to assist the newly-appointed one in the running of his office for about two or three weeks after that individual has assumed his new position. I know personally that this experience was of material assistance to me in Knoxville a year or so ago, and I believe that it would be a good general practice to be followed by the Bureau. The assistance rendered by the experienced SAC would prevent many errors from being made, which at some times require a considerable period of time to correct, and oftentimes are not found until an inspection at some later date.

R. B. HCOD
Special Agent in Charge

SUGGESTION

It is suggested that the Bureau consider the advisability of furnishing all offices, or at least those that request it, a LESTON Light Meter for use in photographic work. The use of such an instrument will do away with all guess-work on the part of the Agents taking pictures, and will guarantee better results both in training and in actual experience in taking pictures.

R. B. HOOD
Special Agent in Charge

Form PR No. 1 revised

Bureau No. _____

DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
PERSONNEL RECOMMENDATION SHEET

Name:

Mr. Richard B. Reed

Date:

*Jun 22, 1938*Present Status

1. Title:

Special Agent

2. Grade:

GS-12

3. Salary:

\$5000 per annum

4. Seat of Government: ()

Field: ()

5. Division:

6. Appropriation: "Salaries and Expenses,
Federal Bureau of Investigation"Proposed Change

7. Title:

Special Agent

8. Grade:

GS-12

9. Salary:

\$5000 per annum

10. Seat of Government: ()

Field: ()

11. Division:

12. Appropriation: "Salaries and Expenses,
Federal Bureau of Investigation"

13. Effective:

July 1, 1938

14. Position: Additional: ()

Vice:

Identical:

15. Remarks:

67-35038-129

CC: Miss Waddle

Chief, Audit Section

Respectfully submitted,

Director, Federal Bureau of Investigation.

Requirements as to Classification Act.

Efficiency () _____

Date

Initial

COMMUNICATIONS SECTION
MAILED

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approved: _____

JUN 22 1938

The Administrative Assistant

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

Funds certification: _____

approved: _____

The Assistant
to the Attorney General.

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June 23, 1958

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. TOLSON

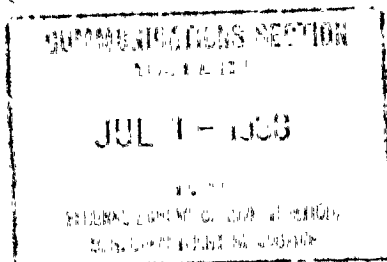
On June 25 I saw Special Agent in Charge R. B. Hood of the New Orleans Office, who was attending the retraining class. Mr. Hood has improved considerably during the period of time he has been an SAC. His personal appearance has become more mature and I believe that he may be well classed as being above the average as an SAC. He is undoubtedly loyal and interested in his work, and I think with further experience he may be considered qualified to run a larger office.

Very truly yours

John Edgar Hoover
Director

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**Federal Bureau of Investigation
United States Department of Justice**

1308 Masonic Temple Building
New Orleans, Louisiana

June 30, 1938

Mr. Tolson	✓
Mr. Nathan	
Mr. Tamm	
Mr. Clegg	
Mr. Coffey	
Mr. Crowl	
Mr. Dawsey	
Mr. Egan	
Mr. Foxworth	
Mr. Glavin	
Mr. Harbo	
Mr. Lester	
Mr. McIntire	
Mr. Rosen	✓
Mr. Tracy	✓
Miss Gandy	

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Mr. J. Edgar Hoover, Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation
U. S. Department of Justice
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Hoover:

I have received your autographed photograph on this date and I wish to thank you for having honored me with this expression of your friendship.

With very best regards, I am,

Sincerely,

[Handwritten signature]

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July 6, 1938

Mr. Richard B. Hood
Federal Bureau of Investigation
United States Department of Justice
1308 Masonic Temple Building
New Orleans, Louisiana

Dear Mr. Hood:

It is with pleasure that I am enclosing a letter from the Attorney General advising you of your promotion from \$5000 per annum to \$5200 per annum in grade CAF 12, effective July 1, 1938.

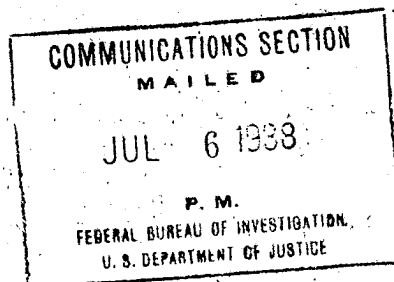
Sincerely yours,

John Edgar Hoover
Director

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Enclosure

Mr. Tolson.....
Mr. Nathan.....
Mr. Tamm.....
Mr. Clegg.....
Mr. Coffey.....
Mr. Crowl.....
Mr. Dawsey.....
Mr. Egan.....
Mr. Foxworth.....
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DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

WASHINGTON, D. C.

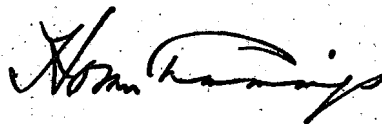
June 22, 1938.

Mr. Richard B. Hood,
c/o Federal Bureau of Investigation,
Department of Justice.

Dear Mr. Hood:

Your salary as a Special Agent in the Federal Bureau of Investigation, Department of Justice, is hereby increased from \$5,000 per annum to \$5,200 per annum in Grade Caf-12, effective July 1, 1938, and payable from the appropriation for "Salaries and Expenses, Federal Bureau of Investigation", FIELD.

Respectfully,



Attorney General.

By the Attorney General:

(Signed) Joseph B. Keenan

The Assistant to the Attorney General.

JOHN EDGAR HOOVER
DIRECTOR

Federal Bureau of Investigation
United States Department of Justice
Washington, D. C.

HHC:BG

July 2, 1938

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

Re: SPECIAL AGENTS IN CHARGE SCHOOL
June 13 to June 25, 1938
R. B. HOOD - NEW ORLEANS

Mr. Tolson	✓
Mr. Nathan	✓
Mr. Tamm	✓
Mr. Clegg	✓
Mr. Coffey	✓
Mr. Crowl	✓
Mr. Dawsey	✓
Mr. Egan	✓
Mr. Foxworth	✓
Mr. Glavin	✓
Mr. Harbo	✓
Mr. Lester	✓
Mr. McIntire	✓
Mr. Nichols	✓
Mr. Tracy	✓
Miss Gandy	✓

Written Examination:	98
Received Instruction on Voucher Preparation:	Yes
Crime Statistics Problems:	89
Received Instruction in Fingerprint Classification:	Yes
Received Instruction in Latent Fingerprint Work:	Yes
Received Instruction in Use of Speed Graphic Camera:	Yes
Received Instruction in Mechanics and Technique of Arrests and Searches:	Yes
Crime Scene Searches:	Good
Practical Work in Gymnasium:	Good
Notebook:	Excellent

Firearms Training

Practical Pistol Course: 94
.30'06 Rifle: 84
.351 Rifle: 92
Thompson Submachine Gun: 100
Shotgun: 100
Night: 100
Hip Shooting: Good
Automobile Course - Pistol: 100
Automobile Course - Thompson Submachine Gun: 100

Remarks:

This Special Agent in Charge has grown in maturity, improved in appearance, and developed a more pleasing type of personality, with yet some Germanic tendencies which still will stand further improvement, but I would consider him a hard worker who definitely defines his objective and I would rate him, in spite of his youthfulness and newness as a Special Agent in Charge, in at least an average status. Investigative ability - good; administrative ability - good; salesmanship - good.

Respectfully,

H. H. Clegg.

AMC:VHL

May 23, 1938

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. TOLSON

The following is a list showing the grade and salary of all officials at the Seat of Government; the Inspectors assigned to the field and all Special Agents in Charge.

Excerpt:

SPECIAL AGENTS IN CHARGE

Gurnea, M. E.	CAF 12	\$5000	200 OK
" Hood, I. B. "	CAF 12	\$5000	200 OK

Respectfully,

A. M. Crowl

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CT:AI

July 7, 1938

Mr. R. B. Hood
Federal Bureau of Investigation
U. S. Department of Justice
1303 Masonic Temple Building
New Orleans, Louisiana

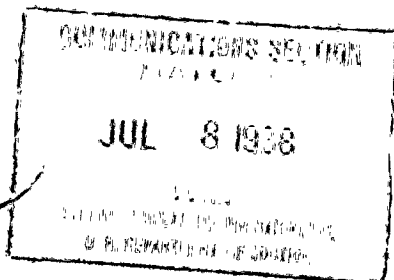
Dear Mr. Hood:

The records of the Bureau show that the average regular overtime service performed by you per working day during the period from February to May, 1938, inclusive, was 4 hours and 56 minutes.

While I appreciate your industry, I do feel that this is an excessive amount of overtime and I desire that you endeavor to reduce the number of overtime hours of work which you perform. Although it is realized that there will always be overtime on the part of Bureau representatives and while I am anxious to have this overtime performed on an equitable basis by field employees, I do not feel that any employee should continue in his work to such an extent that it may impair his physical health. I hope that it will be possible for you to reduce the amount of time which you have been spending on official duties.

With kind regards,

Sincerely,



CT:ACS

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July 18, 1938

Mr. R. B. Hood
Federal Bureau of Investigation
U. S. Department of Justice
1308 Masonic Temple Building
New Orleans, Louisiana

Dear Mr. Hood:-

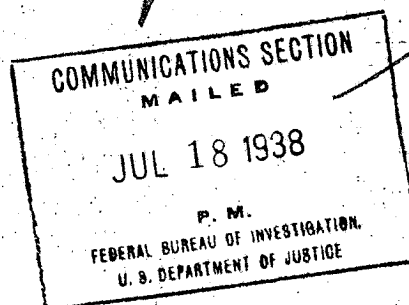
I desire to acknowledge the receipt of a further suggestion letter from you dated July 9th. You may be assured that your suggestion will receive very careful attention at the Seat of Government.

I wish to thank you for the interest in your work which prompted you to submit suggestions.

With kindest personal regards,

Sincerely yours,

Mr. Tolson.....
Mr. Nathan.....
Mr. Tamm.....
Mr. Clegg.....
Mr. Coffey.....
Mr. Crowl.....
Mr. Dawney.....
Mr. Egan.....
Mr. Foxworth.....
Mr. Glavin.....
Mr. Harbo.....
Mr. Lester.....
Mr. McIntire.....
Mr. Nichols.....
Mr. Tracy.....
Miss Gandy.....



HX

1308 Masonic Temple Building
New Orleans, Louisiana
July 9, 1938

Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

The following suggestion is submitted for your consideration.

The present rule of the Bureau to the effect that the office of origin and the office of prosecution should in every report set out a recapitulation of all outstanding leads is, in my opinion, a stenographic burden in connection with War Risk Insurance cases. It has been noted that in many instances the office of origin will submit a report reflecting a small amount of investigation and yet with existing rules it is necessary to set out many leads for offices all over the country. In most instances, the auxiliary offices are not interested in many of the reports prepared by the office of origin, inasmuch as those reports contain no information of value to those offices. It is a burden on the auxiliary offices to have to handle these additional reports from the office of origin.

Accordingly, it is my suggestion that the Bureau consider the advisability of making an exception in War Risk Insurance cases insofar as the rule relative to the setting out of all undeveloped leads by the office of origin is concerned.

Very truly yours,

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R. B. HOOD
Special Agent in Charge

RBH:als

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RICHARD B. HOOD

PHYSICAL EXAM June 21, 1938

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NAME *Hood, R. B.*

N.M.S. Form 16.

LABORATORY EXAMINATION

STATUS *7BI*

U.S. NAVAL MEDICAL SCHOOL
NAVAL MEDICAL CENTER
WASHINGTON, D.C.

DATE *6/21/38*

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REPORT

KAHN

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WASSERMANN

Request of *Bd Gen*

Address: *Schul*

Request for KAHN ~~and~~

~~WASSERMANN TESTS.~~

Qualitative	Quantitative	Cholesterolized
	Units	Antigen
Negative		



J. G. Dickson, Lieut. Comdr.

(MC), U.S.N.

NAME HOOD, R.B.

N.M.S. Form 6.

LABORATORY EXAMINATION

RATE FBI

U. S. NAVAL MEDICAL SCHOOL

Naval Medical Center

DATE 6-25-38

Washington, D.C.

Request of

Board room

Address:

School

Diagnosis

Character of examination desired

R&M

Amount 24 hours.....Submitted.....50 cc.

Appearance.....Amber

Reaction.....Acid.....Sp.Gr. 1.023

Albumin.....Less than 10 mgm. %

Sugar.....Negative

Occult Blood 2 plus

Special.....

Casts.....

Cylindroids.....

Mucus.....Much

Leucocytes.....Rare

Erythrocytes 1-3 per hi dry field

Epithelium.....

Crystals.....

Robert Lt Comdr. (MC), U.S.N.

NAME HOOD, R.B.

N.M.S. Form 6.

LABORATORY EXAMINATION

RATE FBI

U. S. NAVAL MEDICAL SCHOOL

Naval Medical Center

DATE 6/21/38

Washington, D.C.

Request of

Board Room

Address:

School

Diagnosis

Character of examination desired

R&M

Amount 24 hours..... Submitted 75cc

Appearance..... Amber

Reaction..... Acid Sp.Gr. 1.013

Albumin..... Less than 10 mgm %

Sugar..... Negative

Occult Blood..... 4 plus

Special.....

Casts.....

Cylindroids.....

Mucus.....

Leucocytes..... Occasional

Erythrocytes..... 10-12 per hi dry field

Epithelium..... Occasional polyhedral and squamous

~~Other~~


Lt. Commander, (MC), U.S.N.

RECORD OF PHYSICAL EXAMINATION OF OFFICERS AND SPECIAL AGENTS OF THE
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION, U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

Washington, D.C.
Place

June 21 1938

HISTORY

Name Richard B. Hord Age 29 years, 10 months

Nativity (state) Penna. Married, Single, Widowed Married Number of Children none

Diseases, operations, or injuries previous to age of 15 (Give date and full description of each and examine carefully for evidence of sequelae.)

1914 Pneumonia - chicken pox - measles - diphtheria
1915 Streptococcus (?) infection of throat

Diseases, operations, or injuries subsequent to age 15 (Give date and full description of each and examine carefully for evidence of sequelae.)

Tonsils removed 1927

Father (Living? yes State of Health Good
(Dead? _____ Cause & age at death? _____)

Mother (Living? yes State of Health Good
(Dead? _____ Cause & age at death? _____)

Brothers (Number living 1 State of Health Good
(Number dead _____ Cause & age at death? _____)

Sisters (Number living — State of Health _____
(Number dead — Cause & age at death? _____)

Has any member of family suffered from neurasthenia or insanity or been confined in any institution for the insane? Give relationship and full history of case.

No

Has any blood relative been an inmate of a penal institution or poorhouse? Give relationship and state reasons.

No

Habits: Tobacco? No Alcoholics? occasional Drugs? No

or infrequent
use of beer

Richard B. Hord
Signature of Candidate.

Height? 5 feet, 8 3/4 inches. Weight, stripped? 162 Pounds.

General appearance: MC (Robust? active) (White? ✓)
(Puny?) (Colored?)
(Plethoric?) (Blonde? ✓)
Complexion: (Anaemic?) (Brunette?)
(Corpulent?) (Florid?)
(Emaciated?) (Sallow?)

Skin: Diseases?

Hair: Color: Brn Thickness 2 in

Glands: Enlargement: ✓ Other abnormalities ✓

Head, Depressions? ✓ Asymmetries? ✓

Facial disfigurement? ✓ Facial asymmetry? ✓

Abnormalities of speech? ✓

Neck: Goitre? ✓ Other conditions? ✓

Chest: Inspiration 37 1/2 inches. Expiration 34 1/2 inches. Respiratory rate?

Inspection:

Lungs: Palpation: ✓

Percussion: ✓

Auscultation: ✓

X-ray examination:

Heart: Palpation: ✓

Percussion: ✓

Auscultation: ✓ light sinus arrhythmia and occasional extrasystole

Exercise Test: Step upon chair 25 times in 30 seconds. Pulse rate should return to normal after two minutes.

Pulse rate: Sitting 78 After exercise 132 Rest 84

Condition of heart after exercise: ✓ Rapid

Blood pressure, Systolic? 124 Diastolic? 76 Pulse pressure 48

1 Abdomen:

Circumference at umbilicus? 32 ✓ Tenderness? ✓

Other abnormalities? ✓

Liver, percussion? ✓ Palpation? ✓

Spleen, percussion? ✓ Palpation? ✓

Inguinal rings? ✓ Hernia? ✓

Scrotum:

Varicocele? ✓ Hydrocele? ✓ Sarcocoele ✓

Testicles:

Induration? ✓ Atrophy? ✓

Other conditions? ✓

Penis:

Epispadias? ✓ Hypospadias? ✓

Condition of prepuce? ✓ Venereal diseases? ✓

Anus:

Hemorrhoids? ✓ Fistulae? ✓

Prolapse of bowel? ✓ Other conditions ✓

Spine:

Tenderness? ✓ Curvature? ✓

Reflexes:

Pupillary: ✓ Cremasteric: ✓

Pastellar: ✓ Babinski: ✓ Ankleclonus: ✓

Upper Extremity:

Missing fingers? ✓ Contractures of hand? ✓

Condition of joints? ✓ Other conditions? ✓

Lower Extremity:

Flat foot? Moderate degree - bilateral - ✓
no symptoms

Knock-knees? ✓ Varicose Veins? ✓

Hammer toes? ☒ Bunions? ☒
Other abnormalities? ☒

Agility:

Co-ordination of muscular movements? ☒ Romberg? ☒
Defects of gait? ☒

Mental Condition? ☒

(Note: If indicated refer to specialist)

Temperature? 97.6 face, 1937

Has this person been successfully vaccinated within 5 years? No - 15 years

Has this person had prophylactic typhoid inoculation? Yes Date last taken 1937

✓ Urine: Color? _____ Sp. Gr.? _____ Albumin? _____ Sugar? _____

Reaction? _____ Shreds? _____ Blood cells? _____

Pus cells? _____ Casts? _____ Epithelial cells? _____

Blood: Red corpuscles per C.mm _____ White corpuscles per C.mm _____

Differential count _____

✓ Blood serologic tests (syphilis): _____ Haemoglobin per cent: _____

Has candidate any of the following defects, viz: Cachexia, or apparent predisposition to any constitutional diseases, permanent defects of either of the extremities or articulations, including defects of gait, flat foot, badly bowed legs, knock-knees, unnatural curvature of the spine, impaired vision, color-blindness, chronic diseases of the visual organs, epilepsy, insanity, chronic diseases of the ears, deafness, chronic nasal disease, polypi, chronic ulcers or cicatrices of old ulcers likely to break out afresh, chronic cardiac pulmonary or renal affections, insufficient chest expansion, hernia, sarcocoele, hydrocele, varicocoele (unless slight), fistula in ano, hemorrhoids, varicose veins on lower limbs (unless slight) stature less than 5 feet 4 inches, or more than 6 feet 2 inches, or any marked abnormality of speech or facial disfigurement?

Report of any special examination:

DENTAL EXAMINATION OF _____

GENERAL ORAL CONDITION

MUCOUS MEMBRANE

☒	Normal
☐	Inflamed
☐	Swollen
☐	Ulcerated
☐	Septic

SALIVA

☒	Normal
☐	Excessive
☐	Acidity
☐	Thick or ropy
☐	Odor

OCCLUSION

☒	Normal
☐	Class I
☐	Class II
☐	Class III

TONGUE

☐	Coating
☐	Cryptic
☐	Ulcerated
☐	Enlarged

Glands _____

Sinus _____

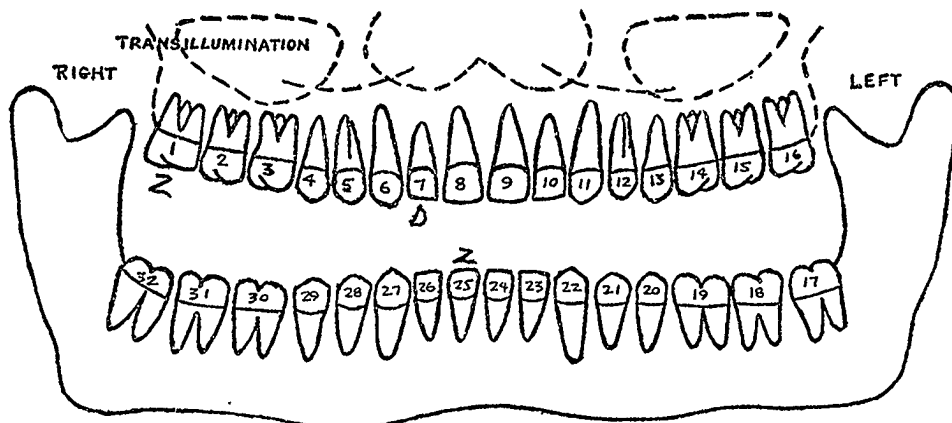
Throat _____

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☐	Square
☐	Tapering
☒	Ovoid

DENTAL DIAGNOSIS

- A. Labial
- B. Lingual
- C. Incisal
- D. Occlusal
- E. Buccal
- G. Mesial
- H. Distal
- K. Mesio-labial
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- O. Mesio-incisal
- P. Disto-incisal
- R. Mesio-occlusal
- S. Disto-occlusal
- T. Bucco-occlusal
- U. Lingual-occlusal
- V. Mesio-disto-occlusal
- W. Bucco-lingual-occlusal



☒ Roots
 ☐ Abscess
 ☐ Impacted
 ☐ Crown
 ☐ Devitalized
 ☐ Dummy bridge
 ☐ On denture
 ☐ Missing
 ☐ Extraction Indicated

X-ray No. _____ X-ray reading _____

Gingival disease (indicate nature and extent) _____

Conditions of appliances replacing teeth _____

Remarks: _____

In case a dentist is not available to make the dental examination, the medical examiner shall record missing teeth, prosthetic replacements, and give a general estimate of oral condition.

Date 6/21/38 (Signature) [Signature]
Dental Surgeon

Summary of Findings

(Summarize here all defects found.)

1. Defective vision, myopic astigmatism, R $\frac{20}{40}$ L $\frac{20}{200}$
2. Otitis externa, left (fungus) Cor R $\frac{20}{20}$ L $\frac{20}{20}$
3. Flat foot, moderate (no symptoms)
4. Small amount blood in urine
5. _____

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Recommendations:

1. Is this man capable of strenuous X moderate _____ light _____
or very light _____ physical exertion. (Indicate which).
2. Has this man any defect which would interfere with his participation
in raids or other work connected with the detection and apprehension
of criminals which might entail the practical use of firearms?
(Indicate YES or NO) No

Remarks: Vision R eye barely within allowed limit
Vision left eye. Beyond

W. H. Eagle, Captain (MC) USA
E. J. Mahan
E. C. Walter Lt (MC) USA

Administrative action by Federal Bureau of Investigation.

DIRECTOR

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5-13-37 Re: Richard B. Hood
Physical Exam

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J. EDGAR HOOVER
DIRECTOR

TWB:SCK

Federal Bureau of Investigation
United States Department of Justice
Washington, D. C.

May 13, 1937.

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. TOLSON

RE: RICHARD B. HOOD,
SPECIAL AGENT.

SUMMARY OF PHYSICAL REPORT.

The physical examination on April 14, 1937, disclosed the following defects:

Athlete's foot.

Very slight relaxation and impulse in both inguinal rings.

First degree flat foot.

Refractive vision, corrected to 20/20.

The Examining Physician states that he is capable of performing strenuous physical exertion and has no defects which would interfere with his use of firearms.

Respectfully,

T. W. Bain

T. W. Bain.

*Letter to Mr. Tolson
5-13-37
JWB*

TWB:SCK

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION, U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

Washington, DC.

Place

April 14, 1937

HISTORY

Name Richard B. Hood Age 28 years, 6 1/2 months
Nativity (state) Penn. Married, Single, Widowed Married Number of Children none

Diseases, operations, or injuries previous to age of 15 (Give date and full description of each and examine carefully for evidence of sequelae.)

Diseases, operations, or injuries subsequent to age 15 (Give date and full description of each and examine carefully for evidence of sequelae.)

Tonsils removed summer 1927

Father (Living? yes State of Health Good
(Dead? _____ Cause & age at death? _____)

Mother (Living? yes State of Health Good
(Dead? _____ Cause & age at death? _____)

Brothers (Number living 1 State of Health Good
(Number dead 0 Cause & age at death? _____)

Sisters (Number living 0 State of Health _____
(Number dead 0 Cause & age at death? _____)

Has any member of family suffered from neurasthenia or insanity or been confined in any institution for the insane? Give relationship and full history of case.

No

Has any blood relative been an inmate of a penal institution or poorhouse? Give relationship and state reasons.

No

Habits: Tobacco? No Alcoholics? occasional cocktail Drugs? No

Richard B. Hood
Signature of Candidate.

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PHYSICAL EXAMINATION

Eyes: Color? Blue Exophthalmos? none

Chronic inflammation? none Other abnormality? none

Eyelids: Ptosis? _____ Condition of conjunctiva on eversion? _____

Other eye conditions? none

Vision: (Note: Each eye must be tested separately.)

Does candidate wear glasses? yes For what purpose? all

Distant: Uncorrected vision of right eye? 20/40 Left eye? 20/200

Corrected vision of right eye? 20/20 Left eye? 20/20

Near: Uncorrected vision of right eye? 0.50 D: 18"-19" Left eye? 0.50 D: 14"-10"

Corrected vision of right eye? 0.50 D: 21"-6" Left eye? 0.50 D: 21"-6"

Remarks: _____

Color sense: normal
(Standard color plate test required)

Ears: Abnormalities? none Evidence of mastoid or other disease: none

Condition of drums? Right normal Left normal

Hearing: (Note: When testing hearing, the eyes and the opposite ear must be closed.)

Distance conversational speech can be heard:

Right ear 20+ feet. Left ear 20+ feet.

Distance whispered speech (Using residual air) can be heard:

Right ear 20 feet. Left ear 20 feet.

(Note: Use tuning fork tests, Rinne, Weber & Schwabach, if indicated.)

Right ear " Left ear "

Nose: Deflection of septum left side Polypi? none

Chronic nasal disease? none Is candidate a mouth breather? no

Palate: Cleft or perforated? none Other conditions? none

Fauces: Condition of tonsils? normal Pharynx? normal

[Signature]
Signature of Examining Specialist.

Height? 5 feet, 9 1/8 inches. Weight, stripped? 165 Pounds.

General appearance: (Robust? ☒) (White? ☒)
(Puny? ☐) (Colored? ☐)
(Plethoric? ☐) (Blonde? ☒)
(Anaemic? ☐) Complexion: (Brunette? ☐)
(Corpulent? ☐) (Florid? ☒)
(Emaciated? ☐) (Sallow? ☐)

Skin: Diseases? slight athlete's foot

Hair: Color: light brown Thickness fair

Glands: Enlargement: ☒ Other abnormalities ☒

Head, Depressions? ☒ Asymmetries? ☒

Facial disfigurement? ☒ Facial asymmetry? ☒

Abnormalities of speech? ☒

Neck: Goitre? ☒ Other conditions? ☒

Chest: Inspiration 40 1/2 inches. Expiration 35 1/2 inches. Respiratory rate? ☒

Inspection: ☒

Lungs: Palpation: ☒

Percussion: ☒

Auscultation: ☒

X-ray examination: ☐

Heart: Palpation: ☒

Percussion: ☒

Auscultation: ☒

Exercise Test: Step upon chair 25 times in 30 seconds. Pulse rate should return to normal after two minutes.

Pulse rate: Sitting 104 After exercise 148 (2 min) 106

Condition of heart after exercise: ☒

Blood pressure, Systolic? 125 Distolic? 75 Pulse pressure 50

Abdomen:

Circumference at umbilicus? 32 Tenderness? No
Other abnormalities? none
Liver, percussion? ✓ Palpation? not palpable
Spleen, percussion? ✓ Palpation? " "
Inguinal rings? Very slight relaxation and impulse. Hernia?

Scrotum:

Varicocele? ✓ Hydrocele? ✓ Sarcocoele? ✓

Testicles:

Induration? ✓ Atrophy? ✓
Other conditions? ✓

Penis:

Epispadias? ✓ Hypospadias? ✓
Condition of prepuce? ✓ Venereal diseases? ✓

Anus:

Hemorrhoids? ✓ Fistulae? ✓
Prolapse of bowel? ✓ Other conditions ✓

Spine:

Tenderness? No Curvature? Normal

Reflexes:

Pupillary: ✓ Cremasteric: ✓
Pastellar: ✓ Babinski: ✓ Ankleclonus: ✓

Upper Extremity:

Missing fingers? none Contractures of hand? ✓
Condition of joints? ✓ Other conditions? ✓

Lower Extremity:

Flat foot? 1st degree Bowed legs? ✓
Knock-knees? ✓ Varicose Veins? ✓

Hammer toes? ✓ Bunions? ✓

Other abnormalities? ✓

Agility:

Co-ordination of muscular movements? ✓ Romberg? ✓

Defects of gait? ✓

Mental Condition? Normal

(Note: If indicated refer to specialist)

Temperature? 36.7

Has this person been successfully vaccinated within 5 years? No

Has this person had prophylactic typhoid inoculation? Yes Date last taken 1/20

Urine: Color? _____ Sp. Gr.? _____ Albumin? _____ Sugar? _____

Reaction? _____ Shreds? Spores Blood cells? _____

Pus cells? _____ Casts? _____ Epithelial cells? _____

Blood: Red corpuscles per C.mm _____ White corpuscles per C.mm _____

Differential count _____

Blood serologic tests (syphilis): _____ Haemoglobin per cent: _____

Has candidate any of the following defects, viz: Cachexia, or apparent predisposition to any constitutional diseases, permanent defects of either of the extremities or articulations, including defects of gait, flat foot, badly bowed legs, knock-knees, unnatural curvature of the spine, impaired vision, color-blindness, chronic diseases of the visual organs, epilepsy, insanity, chronic diseases of the ears, deafness, chronic nasal disease, polypi, chronic ulcers or cicatrices of old ulcers likely to break out afresh, chronic cardiac pulmonary or renal affections, insufficient chest expansion, hernia, sarcocele, hydrocele, varicocele (unless slight), fistula in ano, hemorrhoids, varicose veins on lower limbs (unless slight) stature less than 5 feet 4 inches, or more than 6 feet 2 inches, or any marked abnormality of speech or facial disfigurement?

Report of any special examination:

See X-ray & dental reports.

DENTAL EXAMINATION OF HOOD, Richard B.

GENERAL ORAL CONDITION

MUCOUS MEMBRANE

☒	Normal
☐	Inflamed
☐	Swollen
☐	Ulcerated
☐	Septic

SALIVA

☒	Normal
☐	Excessive
☐	Acidity
☐	Thick or ropy
☐	Odor

OCCLUSION

☒	Normal
☐	Class I
☐	Class II
☐	Class III

TONGUE

☐	Coating
☐	Cryptic
☐	Ulcerated
☐	Enlarged

Glands Apparently Normal

Sinus " "

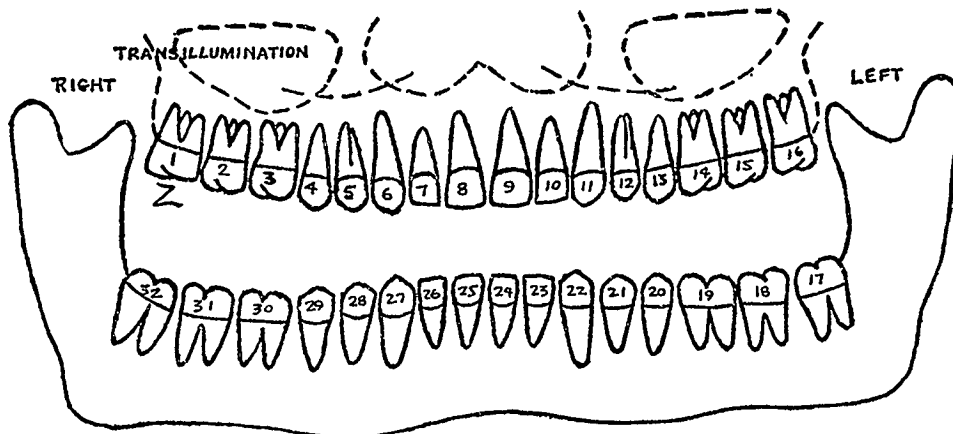
Throat " "

ARCH

☐	Square
☐	Tapering
☒	Ovoid

DENTAL DIAGNOSIS

- A. Labial
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- R. Mesio-occlusal
- S. Disto-occlusal
- T. Bucco-occlusal
- U. Lingual-occlusal
- V. Mesio-disto-occlusal
- W. Bucco-lingual-occlusal



☒ Roots ☐ Abscess ☐ Impacted ☐ Crown ☐ Devitalized ☐ Dummy bridge ☐ On denture ☐ Missing ☒ Extraction Indicated

X-ray No. _____ X-ray reading _____

Gingival disease (indicate nature and extent) None for front teeth

Conditions of appliances replacing teeth _____

Remarks: _____

In case a dentist is not available to make the dental examination, the medical examiner shall record missing teeth, prosthetic replacements, and give a general estimate of oral condition.

Date 4-14-37 (Signature) J. W. Harper
Dental Surgeon

Summary of Findings

(Summarize here all defects found.)

1. Taenia tricocephalus feet
2. Very slight relaxation and impulse both rings
3. 1st degree flat foot
4. Refractive error corrected to $\frac{20}{20}$ $\frac{20}{30}$
5. _____

Recommendations:

- Vaccinate for small pox
- Inoculate for typhoid
- Medical treatment of Taenia tricocephalus

1. Is this man capable of strenuous ☒ moderate _____ light _____
or very light _____ physical exertion. (Indicate which).
2. Has this man any defect that would interfere with his use of
firearms? (Indicate YES or NO) No

Remarks:

Forwarded. Approved.
T.P. Sandidge
Surgeon, USPHS.

H. G. Mauer, P.D. Surgeon
J. E. Rye, Army
Hubert M. Heitach, 99 Surgeon, USPHS

Administrative action by Federal Bureau of Investigation.

DIRECTOR

U. S. PUBLIC HEALTH SERVICE RELIEF STATION
P. O. DEPT., 12th & PA., AVE., N. W.,
WASHINGTON, D. C.

X-RAY REPORT

Date..... April 14....., 19 37.

To. X-ray Laboratory:

Information requested in the case of..... HOOD, Richard B.
(Surname of Patient) (Given name)
Age 28..... Class of beneficiary..... F.B.I.

X-ray of:..... Chest for heart and lungs.....

Clinical Diagnosis:.....

Signature..... Dr. Maness
Surgeon

From X-ray Laboratory to Dr..... Date..... 4. 14....., 19 37

X-ray findings:..... Negative.....

FILM RECORD

Number	Size	Part	Examined by
5124	14X17		

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Signature.....

CLINICAL RECORD

EXAMINATION OF URINE

Quantity in 24 hours _____ Color Light Odor _____ Sp. Gr. 1.018
Reaction when passed acid Albumin neg. Sugar neg. Mucus _____
Bile _____ Blood none Urea (24 hours) _____ Casts (kinds) _____
Bacteria _____ Epithelia few Pus _____
Miscellaneous _____

EXAMINATION OF STOMACH CONTENTS

Test Meal (kind) _____ Reaction _____ Free HCl _____ Combined HCl _____
Lactic acid _____ Organic acids _____ Total Acidity _____ Pepsin _____
Blood _____ Mucus _____ Bile _____ Bacteria _____
Cells _____ Parasites _____
Miscellaneous _____

NOTE.—If acidity is charted, attach chart.

EXAMINATION OF FECES

Color _____ Consistence _____ Reaction _____ Mucus _____
Pus _____ Free Blood (color) _____ Occult Blood _____ Blood Cells _____
Undigested Food _____ Free Fat _____ Crystals _____ Bile Acids _____
Pathogenic Bacteria _____ Parasites _____ Ova _____
Miscellaneous _____

EXAMINATION OF SPUTUM

Quantity (24 hours) _____ Color _____ Character _____ Blood (color) _____
Tubercle bacilli _____ Pneumococci (type) _____ Other Bacteria _____
Miscellaneous _____

NOTE.—A final negative report for tubercle bacilli should not be made until after examination of ten specimens, all procured on different days.

EXAMINATION OF BLOOD

Number of red corpuscles 4,730,000 Number of white corpuscles 7,550
Abnormal forms _____
Hemoglobin per cent 93% Parasites _____
Differential count: Small Mononuclears 28% Large Mononuclears 4%
Transitionals 2% Myelocytes _____ Normoblasts _____ Megaloblasts _____
Polymorphonuclears: (1) Eosinophiles 2% (2) Neutrophils 59%
(3) Basophiles _____
Agglutination reactions _____
Complement fixations: Wasserman negative Kahn negative
Pathogenic bacteria (culture) _____
Miscellaneous _____

NOTE.—AGGLUTINATION REACTIONS.—Typhoid, paratyphoid A and B, Weil-Felix, specific dysentery.
COMPLEMENT FIXATIONS.—Syphilis (state antigens used and give degree if positive), gonococcus, tuberculosis, other fixation reactions.

EXAMINATION—MISCELLANEOUS

Spinal puncture, other puncture fluids, blood chemistry, etc. _____

4/15/37
(Date)

Pathologist.

H. J. S.
(Surname of patient)

R. V.
(Given name)

(Register No.)

(Ward)

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DATE 03-16-2012

August 1, 1938

~~PERSONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL~~

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Mr. Richard B. Hood
Federal Bureau of Investigation
United States Department of Justice
1308 Masonic Temple Building
New Orleans, Louisiana

Dear Mr. Hood:

The Bureau is in receipt of the report of the physical examination afforded you by the United States Naval Hospital at Washington, D. C., on June 21, 1938.

This report disclosed the following physical defects:

Defective vision - myopic astigmatism.
Uncorrected vision of right eye 20/40 -
left eye 20/200. Corrected vision of
right eye 20/20 - left eye 20/20.

Otitis externa (inflammation of the
external ear) left (fungus).

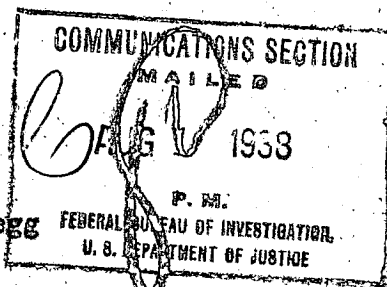
Flat feet, moderate (no symptoms)

Small amount of blood in urine, as
revealed in urinalysis examination.

The Board of Examining Physicians advised that you are capable of performing strenuous physical exertion.

Under Bureau physical standards, it has been determined that you are capable of full participation where the practical use of firearms might be required, inasmuch as your refractive error has been corrected to 20/20 in each eye.

Sincerely yours,



John Edgar Hoover
Director

CC - Mr. Clegg

Mr. Egan
Mr. Fox
Mr. Glavin
Mr. Harbo
Mr. Lester
Mr. McIntire
Mr. Nichols
Mr. Tracy
Miss Gandy

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August 16, 1938

Mr. R. B. Hood
Federal Bureau of Investigation
U. S. Department of Justice
1308 Masonic Temple Building
New Orleans, Louisiana

Dear Mr. Hood:

Further reference is made to your letter of July 9, 1938, suggesting that the Bureau consider the advisability of making an exception in War Risk Insurance cases relative to the rule requiring the restatement of leads by the office of origin and the office of prosecution.

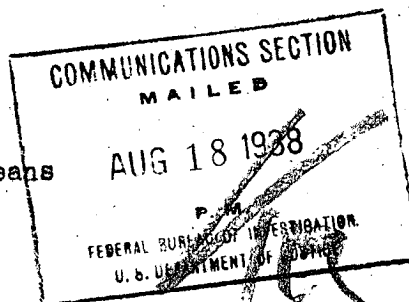
In considering this suggestion, the Bureau was of the opinion that the restatement of leads serves a valuable purpose. In so far as War Risk Insurance cases are concerned, it is felt that it will bring to light instances in which inefficient, partial investigations are reported, in order to keep the cases from being reported as delinquent. It is further believed that this procedure will prove helpful in overcoming the tendency of the office of origin in War Risk Insurance cases to delay the investigation unduly and to submit reports piecemeal. It is further felt that it will also serve to eliminate the tendency of auxiliary offices to postpone unduly the handling of War Risk Insurance leads. For these reasons, the Bureau does not believe it advisable to make any change in the present requirement.

I do want you to know that your interest in submitting this suggestion is sincerely appreciated.

Sincerely yours,

Mr. Tolson _____
Mr. Nathan _____
Mr. Tamm _____
Mr. Clegg _____
Mr. Coffey _____
Mr. Crowl _____
Mr. Dawsey _____
Mr. Egan _____
Mr. Foxworth _____
Mr. Glavin _____
Mr. Harbo _____
Mr. Lester _____
Mr. McIntire _____
Mr. Nichols _____
Mr. Tracy _____
Miss Gandy _____

cc New Orleans



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August 17, 1938

Mr. R. B. Hood
Federal Bureau of Investigation
U. S. Department of Justice
1308 Masonic Temple Building
New Orleans, Louisiana

Dear Mr. Hood:

Reference is made to your letter dated June 11, 1938, wherein you suggest that a Weston Light Meter be issued to field offices for use in photographic work.

To date the Bureau has not found this necessary and the additional expense would seem to be undesirable in view of the fact that training is now being given in all of the Bureau's training schools in judging light and speed with which cameras should be operated. It is believed to be more economical to continue along this line.

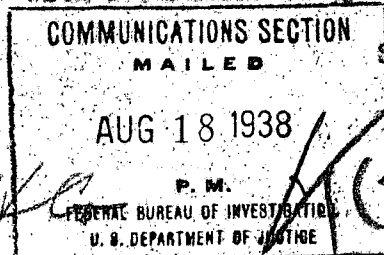
In connection with your suggestion that when a newly appointed Special Agent in Charge assumes duty an experienced Special Agent in Charge be assigned to aid him in his new duties, you are advised that this policy is presently being followed by the Bureau.

As for your suggestion that a leased wire be obtained between the Bureau at Washington and permanent or temporary headquarters in major cases, please be informed that inquiries concerning this matter have disclosed that rather prompt service can be obtained at a great savings under existing procedure.

I desire to express to you my appreciation for your suggestions and for your thoughtfulness in submitting them.

With assurances of my best wishes,

Sincerely,



Mr. Tolson

Mr. Nathan

Mr. Tamm

Mr. Clegg

Mr. Coffey

Mr. Crowl

Mr. Dawsey

Mr. Egan

Mr. Foxworth

Mr. Glavin

Mr. Harbo

Mr. Lester

Mr. McIntire

Mr. Nichols

Mr. Tracy

Miss Gandy

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August 23, 1938

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Mr. R. B. Hood
Federal Bureau of Investigation
U. S. Department of Justice
1308 Masonic Temple Building
New Orleans, Louisiana

Dear Mr. Hood:

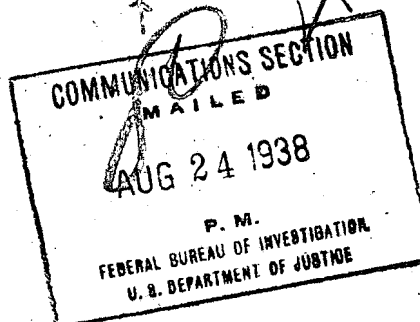
Further reference is made to your recent communication with which you forwarded certain suggestions which you believed would lead to the betterment of the Bureau's service. With reference to your suggestion concerning the lease of a private telephone wire from Washington, D. C. in emergency cases, please be advised that this matter has been gone into and on only a short haul, this cost would approximate \$1,000.00 per month. It is not believed that the use to which such a wire would be put would warrant the installation of such service. The Bureau further desires to point out that under the present arrangements the Bureau has always received excellent service from the telephone and telegraph companies in emergency matters.

With reference to your suggestion that a new Special Agent in Charge be assisted by a Special Agent in Charge who is thoroughly familiar with the administrative and investigative procedure of the Bureau upon his taking charge of an office, please be advised that this procedure is at the present time being followed by the Bureau.

I wish to thank you for your interest in submitting these suggestions.

Sincerely yours,

Mr. Tolson
Mr. Nathan
Mr. Tamm
Mr. Clegg
Mr. Coffey
Mr. Crowl
Mr. Dawsey
Mr. Egan
Mr. Foxworth
Mr. Glavin
Mr. Harbo
Mr. Lester
Mr. McIntire
Mr. Nichols
Mr. Tracy
Miss Gandy



JOHN EDGAR HOOVER
DIRECTOR

Federal Bureau of Investigation
United States Department of Justice
Washington, D. C.

New Orleans, Louisiana
September 1, 1938

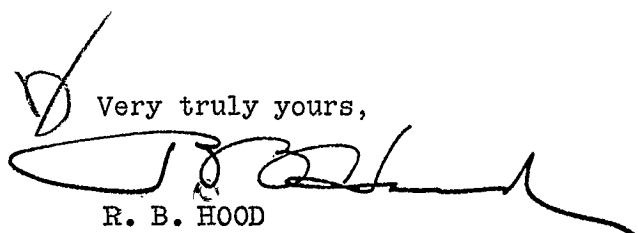
Director,
Federal Bureau of Investigation,
United States Department of Justice,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

In compliance with instructions contained in Section 35 of the Bureau Manual of Rules and Regulations, please be advised that my status with respect to the items listed below is as follows:

- (A) Marital status: Married 67 - 140X
- (B) Names of societies or organizations with which connected: Psi Upsilon Fraternity;
First Presbyterian Church, Uniontown, Pa.;
Young Men's Business Club, New Orleans, La.
- (C) Legal residence: Gary, West Virginia W
- (D) Education: Dartmouth College, A.B. Degree, 1930;
University of Pittsburgh, L.L.B., 1934.
- (E) Name, address and relationship of person to be notified in case of emergency: HILDA F. HOOD (Wife)
4900 St. Charles Avenue
Apartment 3-D
New Orleans, Louisiana
- (F) List of names of any relatives now in the Government service, with the degree of relationship, and where employed. (List all relatives, including those by marriage.) b6
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- (Wife's)
- (G) Offices where assignment preferred: No preference

Very truly yours,


R. B. HOOD
Special Agent in Charge

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October 11, 1939

Mr. Richard B. Wood
Federal Bureau of Investigation
U. S. Department of Justice
1303 Masonic Temple Building
New Orleans, Louisiana

Dear Mr. Wood:

The Bureau notes that the application submitted by you prior to your entry into the service of the Bureau has become somewhat damaged and torn. It is accordingly requested that you execute the enclosed new form of application. You need not, of course, indicate the names of any references, but it is desired that you submit a recent photograph.

Very truly yours,
For the Director

Harold Nathan
Assistant Director

Enclosure

Mr. Tolson	.....
Mr. Nathan	.....
Mr. Egan	.....
Mr. Clegg	.....
Mr. Coffey	.....
Mr. Crowl	.....
Mr. Dawsey	.....
Mr. Egan	
Mr. Foxworth	
Mr. Glavin	
Mr. Ladd	
Mr. Nichols	
Mr. Rosen	
Mr. Tracy	
Mr. Carson	

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**Federal Bureau of Investigation
United States Department of Justice**

1308 Masonic Temple Bldg.,
New Orleans, La.
Nov. 7, 1938.

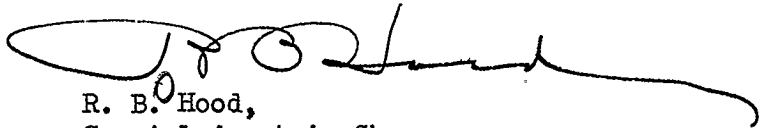
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Director,
Federal Bureau of Investigation,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

In accordance with recent Bureau request, there is
being forwarded herewith a new application for appoint-
ment executed by me on November 5, 1938.

Very truly yours,

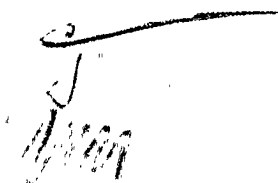


R. B. Hood,
Special Agent in Charge.

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November 14, 1963

Time - 7:45 P. M.

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

Re: CHARLES CHAPMAN, Bank Robbery

Mr. Hugh Clegg called from New Orleans to report that he had a very satisfactory conference with General Guerre and Murphy Hoden today to the end that the dispute will be entirely cleared up, Mr. Clegg feels sure. The General wants to apologize for having gotten "hot under the collar" but maintains that he got that way only after SAC Hood did so, the latter, according to General Guerre, having become very unpleasant and angry. General Guerre is willing to meet Mr. Hood half way in an effort to be friends. Mr. Clegg advised that he is of the opinion this is a correct analysis of the situation; that the two men, Hood and Guerre, became "hot headed" and the discussion grew into a personal argument. Agent Woods, who was present at the time of SAC Hood's contact with the General, advised Mr. Clegg that SAC Hood "flushed up"; General Guerre termed SAC Hood's reaction as very antagonistic, Hood's eyes "popping out."

It seems that General Guerre indicated that he had told SAC Hood that no one other than you could give him, Guerre, orders; and that he would rather you would not give him any orders; but that he, Guerre, has a very high regard for you, however, in spite of this he would not permit anyone to talk to him, Guerre, as he alleged Hood did talk. General Guerre takes all of the responsibility, personally, for not having invited us to participate in that most recent raid at Philadelphia, Mississippi, looking toward the apprehension of Chapman. General Guerre stated, in this instance, that his failure to advise us of this proposed raid was due to the fact that both Hood and Morgan, particularly Agent Morgan, had told him they did not believe this informant; that Morgan was constantly laughing at them for playing along with the informant, telling them that the informant was double-crossing them; that the State Police did not know whether the informant was sincere, but it was the best information anybody had; that they turned this information, concerning the informant, over to us showing their willingness to cooperate, but in view of the fact that Morgan, claiming to be specially assigned to this investigation, consistently poked fun and ridiculed their actions in using the informant, they, the State Police, consequently felt that the Bureau would not be interested in anything that informant might do since it had definitely indicated especially through Morgan and partly through SAC Hood that such would be Bureau's reaction to anything the informant might do or say.

Mr. Clegg is of the opinion that Murphy Hoden lied because he, Hoden, tells General Guerre to date that he was not invited, nor was Farden Jones or anyone else of that general outfit invited to go over to Mississippi on the first raid led by Mr. Conroy last summer. Hoden claims that on the day the raid

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was conducted, or on the day the plans were perfected to conduct it, neither Conroy nor Hood nor anyone else invited Roden to participate, Roden explaining that he did not even hear from them, this inspite of the fact that the State Police had gone out of their way to make the informant available for further questioning during the period in question. Roden said the failure of the Bureau to permit him, or some other representative of the State Police to accompany the party at the time of the raid even as an observer deeply hurt them. However, Roden indicated that they recovered from this with a good attitude toward the Bureau although on the surface it would appear that the Louisiana State Police would have no right to enter Mississippi, nevertheless, he pointed out that the Governor of that state had given authority to and deputized the officers to enter Mississippi for the purpose of apprehending Chapman. Mr. Clegg thinks Roden is lying and concealing the truth which is, he feels certain, that Conroy expressly invited Roden to accompany the raiding party.

Mr. Clegg is of the opinion, from what he has heard, that Agent R. L. Morgan has done much to add fuel to the flame of contention burning between the State Police and the New Orleans Office by means of his continual discrediting and ridiculing the State Police for using the informant; that Morgan is reputed to have said that he, Morgan, did not and the Bureau likewise did not believe that anything they, the State Police, were getting from this informant even faintly resembled the truth. Mr. Clegg made it clear to General Guerre that this was not the Bureau's attitude since it has always been your policy to give even anonymous communications the consideration they appear to deserve. According to Mr. Clegg Agent Morgan is the man who has been causing the trouble inasmuch as he has given the impression that he, Morgan, was SAC Hood's spokesman.

As an example of Morgan's general demeanor Mr. Clegg advised that while Morgan was in a small county he wanted to visit a prison located therein but in order to do so had to pay one dollar to pass a toll bridge to get to the prison. It seems that Morgan, wanting to confer with the warden of this penitentiary about this particular case, telephoned the warden from the other side of the toll bridge heretofore mentioned and told him to come over on the other side of the toll bridge to get him, to send for him, or to do something, saying to the warden that "By God he wouldn't pay any dollar toll fee to get over there" to discuss this case with him. I agreed with Mr. Clegg that this was very small and cheap of Morgan. Mr. Clegg is going to wait over in New Orleans for the purpose of confronting Morgan with this, giving him a chance to answer the allegations, and obtaining a signed statement from him concerning his alleged chiding of the efforts of the local police. Mr. Clegg stated that if it develops that the complaints concerning Morgan's activities are substantiated he will recommend his immediate transfer to another territory.

I was advised that SAC Hood is not in New Orleans; that he is conducting

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firearms training at Alexandria, Louisiana, situated about 200 miles from New Orleans; and that SAC Hood will be there all day tomorrow. Mr. Clegg advised that he plans to return to Washington and will arrive Thursday morning, November 17, and I told him his office here at the Bureau would be so advised.

Mr. Clegg stated that he had very satisfactory interviews with the Deans of the law schools of Tulane and Loyola and Louisiana State University, and that they all seem very enthusiastic.

I was advised that Roden is wearing an FBI NPA rig; that Roden made statements to Mr. Clegg to the effect that the FBI "made" him; that he was just "one of the boys" in a minor position before his NPA training, but that thereafter he became the Assistant Superintendent of the State Police; that the FBI did this for him; and that it is not his intention or desire to become an ingrate. Mr. Clegg told Roden that he, Clegg, could not understand how he, Roden, could promise the Bureau officials his cooperation would be one hundred percent and then turn around, pull the Vicksburg bridge incident, to our complete exclusion. Roden explained this by advising that this trap had been set weeks before it was sprung; that it was not a trap primarily to catch Chapman, but for the purpose of apprehending their informant who had been playing around with some women of Vicksburg, Mississippi. Roden advised that the sole purpose of this plant had been to take into custody this informant who he alleged had been double-crossing them. Mr. Clegg stated that he thinks Roden is lying in connection with this matter, and also in connection with the allegation to the effect that Roden was never advised by Conroy of the proposed raid last summer. I told Mr. Clegg that, in fact, not only had Roden been apprised of the intention to conduct this raid, but Warden Jones as well inasmuch as you had, during the time I was talking with Mr. Conroy on long-distance, authorized Mr. Conroy to permit Jones to accompany the agents.

General Guerre and Murphy Roden rather "pool poohed" the idea that the warden was endeavoring to make a name for himself in order to run for sheriff by saying that if the warden was trying to do that he would be foolish since he would give up a job that pays him much more than that of sheriff. Mr. Clegg stated that he told these men, confidentially of course, that the warden had told the agents of the New Orleans Office that such was his idea in the entire matter. Mr. Clegg pointed out that naturally we were not interested in promoting this warden's personal political ambitions.

The General wanted you to know that he is for you one hundred percent; and that he wanted you to know that you have a clear right to bail him out at any time you see fit to do so, but he did not feel that Hood had that right. Roden also registered a complaint about the way he was bailed out by SAC

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Hood after the Vicksburg bridge incident, since it was his, Roden's, opinion SAC Hood should have called Roden and requested an explanation (which could have been furnished, according to Roden) instead of merely discontinuing cooperation with the State Police.

Mr. Clegg stated that he did not apologize for SAC Hood; that he told the General and Roden that SAC Hood was acting under instructions which were to express the Bureau's very great displeasure to Mr. Roden and if necessary to General Guerre for their lack of cooperation in connection with the Vicksburg incident; and that Mr. Hood was not acting on his own initiative in this instance.

General Guerre told Mr. Clegg that the trouble might have arisen due to the frame of mind in which he and SAC Hood were in that particular day. The General said he was willing to take his share of the blame if SAC Hood would do the same. Mr. Clegg stated he would like to get SAC Hood and General Guerre together and have SAC Hood apologize, not for what he said, but for having created such an impression. On the other hand, General Guerre has already apologized to Mr. Clegg for having gotten mad himself and has expressed the desire to do the same to Mr. Hood if Mr. Hood was in a similar frame of mind. Mr. Clegg stated he did not want his report of the case to put too much blame on SAC Hood, but he pointed out the fact that Mr. Hood has a character wherein if one does not know him well, one would get the idea that he is angry.

Mr. Clegg thinks that SAC Hood should be left at New Orleans. General Guerre stated that he believes Mr. Hoover has a man in New Orleans who is going to hurt him personally, for he does not have the type of approach which will enable him to get along with police officers. Mr. Clegg pointed out that SAC Hood has worked in Washington under the personal eye of Mr. Hoover for a number of years; that he has been agent in charge in Tennessee, which is another southern state, and he got along all right; that he has had no trouble of any kind in any other section of the country. The General said that Mr. Clegg was right and was very reasonable.

General Guerre now wants the Director to come down and dedicate the new state police headquarters building, which is not yet finished. The General said he would feel very disappointed if Mr. Hoover did not personally dedicate it. General Guerre is president of the Interstate Peace Officers organization, which is made up of seven or eight southwestern states and is president of the I. A. C. P. on the state police and state highway police situation. One of his men is president of the state fingerprint organization. The General pointed out that there will be a big ceremony and will be made sufficiently attractive for Mr. Hoover to come down personally. Mr. Clegg was told if the Director could not come, he would want one of his representatives to come in his place.

This would indicate that the state police has the greatest respect for the Bureau and recognized our strength. General Guerre said there has been no personal animosity toward the Director.

Mr. Clogg also went to see Governor Locke. Mr. Locke was very friendly and stated the state police force was ready to help the Bureau in any way. The governor seems to be quite friendly toward General Guerre and especially friendly toward the Director, whom he met last summer.

Mr. Clogg said this whole situation seems to have occurred as a result of personal feelings and that Agent Morgan is quite probably the cause of the bad feelings. Mr. Clogg said he was not very familiar with the file in this case, but is of the opinion that SAC Conroy kept stalling around at the time the Philadelphia raid was to be undertaken, with the result that Chapman would not have been caught even if he had been there.

Respectfully,

P. L. FOXWORTH.

JOHN EDGAR HOOVER
DIRECTOR

Federal Bureau of Investigation
United States Department of Justice
Washington, D. C.

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November 30, 1938

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

On November 26, 1938, I spent several hours in looking over the New Orleans Office. I have always been an enthusiastic booster for Mr. R. B. Hood and I frankly believe he possesses very desired possibilities for increased responsibility. Hood has developed materially insofar as his personal aggression is concerned without losing the polish and courteous manner which has always been his most outstanding characteristic. He is exceedingly energetic and the New Orleans Office from all outward observations, without taking it completely apart, is functioning in a very satisfactory manner.

The Office is spotless, the supply room, detention rooms, vault, et cetera are maintained in excellent condition, the road work box and tickler box appear to be properly maintained and Hood apparently knows the intricate details of each case being handled by each Agent.

As indicated I believe that Hood possesses definite possibilities for increased responsibility, but I believe it would be well if possible to make a detailed inspection of the New Orleans Office in order to determine just what condition it is in.

Respectfully,

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EDWARD A. TAMM

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

WASHINGTON, D. C.

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December 8, 1938

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

0 While in New Orleans recently, I reviewed with SAC R. B. Hood the results of the general survey he has been conducting with reference to White Slave Traffic Act violations. The New Orleans Office has maintained telephone taps for approximately 60 days on major houses of prostitution, has developed some information through informants, and altogether is in possession of information constituting an excellent picture concerning the prostitution setup in the City of New Orleans.

The information developed has indicated rather conclusively that there is no organized interstate transportation of prostitutes into or out of New Orleans. A number of the prostitutes originate in New Orleans and others appear to be free-lancers who follow the seasons and solicit employment from various madames until they obtain a job in some house.

The survey made indicates that prostitution is wide-spread in New Orleans, particularly in a quasi-restricted area. I consider the work which has been done to be of an excellent nature, particularly in view of the fact that prior Special Agents in Charge in New Orleans have alibied out of ever taking any action.

Respectfully,

/s/ E.A.T.

EDWARD A. TAMM.

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JOHN EDGAR HOOVER
DIRECTOR

Federal Bureau of Investigation
United States Department of Justice
Washington, D. C.

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January 1, 1939

12/20 P. M.

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

Re: SAC R. B. HOOD

Inspector Egan called from New Orleans and stated that after a preliminary survey of the New Orleans Office he can conscientiously recommend Mr. Hood's capacity to handle a larger office. Mr. Egan stated that he has talked with about 14 or 15 agents, each of them advising that SAC Hood is fair, hard-working, good at detail, et cetera. Mr. Egan further stated that, as a matter of fact, Mr. Hood is a bit too good at detail to the end that he neglects his contact making activities. I was advised that Inspector Egan could not get much of a line on SAC Hood's contacts; that he has heard to the effect that when SAC Hood does make contacts, they are excellent, but that Mr. Hood has been working in the office much more than he has been making contacts.

Mr. Egan informed that he has completed about 200 of the 700 cases pending and has found nothing worse than delinquencies existing. However, he has not been able to find a contact file for the New Orleans Office. I was told that SAC Hood's sources of information--his confidential informants, et cetera--are just about as bad as they are in every other office.

In answer to my inquiries, Mr. Egan replied that the administrative setup in the New Orleans Office is good; that Mr. Hood has the respect of every employee; that each is working hard for him; and that they think he is the best SAC to ever be in charge of the New Orleans Office, including Messrs. Conroy, Ladd, and Whitley. Mr. Egan indicated that his reaction to the examination of the New Orleans Office, so far, has been that SAC Hood is "tops".

In conclusion Mr. Egan suggested that perhaps you would want to call Mr. Hood to Washington for the purpose of talking to him about his taking up too much time on detail work and the lack of contact development in his district.

Respectfully,

EDWARD A. TAMM

January 1939

December 1938 Inspection of New Orleans Office

see New Orleans Inspection File

R. B. ⁰Hood

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R. B. HOOD

SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE

Entered on duty	September, 1934
Salary	\$5,000.00
Age	30
Married - no children	
Is an attorney	
At New Orleans since May, 1938	
Preference	None
Badge, commission card and gun	Satisfactory
Rules and Regulations	100
Instructions	100

INSPECTOR EGAN:

This Agent in Charge was on leave during this inspection but returned to New Orleans on January 2, 1939, immediately came to the office and was there every day after this time during the inspection.

As I informed Mr. E. A. Tamm by telephone on January 1st, I was of the opinion that the office was in good shape; that he was handling the personnel properly; that he was well liked and was above average, in my opinion, and I recommended to Mr. Tamm that he was capable of handling a larger office. As the inspection progressed I had no reason to change my mind. He presents an excellent appearance, is willing, interested and aggressive and has good judgment.

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I spoke to all the Agents and employees of the New Orleans/ regarding Special Agent in Charge Hood and their comments are as follows:

SA R. L. Morgan - This Agent believed that the Agent in Charge has considerable executive ability, handles the office and Agents well and that he is quiet, uses good judgment and he considers him an excellent Special Agent in Charge.

SA J. M. Jones - He considered the Agent in Charge as very good. He gives the Agents instruction and help in a very nice manner and can correct their errors without hurting their feelings. He has all the Agents in the office working hard for him.

SA J. V. Blake - This Agent stated that the Special Agent in Charge is loyal, a hard worker, makes a good impression and makes good contacts. He feels he works too hard but he handles his men well, is thoroughly businesslike at all times, is fair to all and uses good judgment.

SA W. M. Todd - This Agent is a new man and he stated the Agent in Charge had helped him a great deal. He felt that the help he had received from him had assisted him greatly in his work.

SA S. M. Wolf stated that the Agent in Charge was a very able executive; that he runs his office according to the rules; that he is well liked by all with whom he comes in contact; that he is fair to all.

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SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE

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SA R. L. Shivers - stated that the Agent in Charge works harder than the men under him; that he is loyal, has the best interests of the Bureau at heart; that he is strictly business, seems to be a good detail man. In fact he feels that he does too much detail work. He considered him far above average.

SA J. O. Peyronnin stated that he believed the Special Agent in Charge was especially good on details; that he writes a very good letter or memorandum; that he is a hard worker, very good on contacts and that he follows Bureau instructions.

SA Nelson Perry stated that the Agent in Charge is very capable, is fair in his dealings with all employees and he believes he is the best Agent in Charge he has ever worked under.

SA N. O. Scott stated that Mr. Hood is the most business-like SAC he has ever worked under; that while he looks young he seems to make contacts and a very good impression when he makes a contact; that he works extremely hard, and could make good and better contacts if he did not spend so much time in the office.

SA J. B. Minor stated that the Agent in Charge had a likeable personality, was very fair, knows all of his duties and was a great help to new men.

SA C. W. Moore feels that SAC Hood is doing a very good job in New Orleans, makes good contacts and stated that all the work goes through the office smoothly, with no excitement or rush - everything is handled properly.

SA C. E. Weeks, Number One man, stated that Hood is the best SAC he has ever had; that he operates the office smoothly, knows the work of a Special Agent in Charge well, does especially good on contacts with the general public and that the Federal officials think well of him.

SA F. L. Parker stated that he is an excellent Special Agent in Charge and very helpful to new men.

SA Zeigler stated that the Agent in Charge is above average, in his opinion; that he is intelligent, a hard worker and helpful to new men.

The clerical employees stated as follows:

Phyllis Howard stated that Mr. Hood is an excellent Special Agent in Charge; that he works hard, is extremely fair, knows his work well and has the respect of everyone.

R. B. HOOD

SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE

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Willie Heffner stated that the Special Agent in Charge is very fair to all employees, knows what is going on in his office and knows the work well.

Arthelia Snyder stated that the Agent in Charge is extremely fair and knows his work well.

B. L. Upton stated that the Special Agent in Charge is the best one he has ever worked under; that he knows the work well and the work in the office runs smoothly and the Agent in Charge never gets excited or nervous.

T. P. Monahan stated that the SAC was the best he has ever worked under; that he knows his work well; that he makes certain checks on the work from time to time, is fair in his criticism and fair in his dealings with all employees.

A. H. Smith stated that SAC Hood is the best Agent in Charge that has ever handled the New Orleans office since he has been there. He supervises everything and keeps things moving, but at the same time he is fair to all.

United States Attorney Rene A. Viosca, New Orleans, was high in his praise of SAC Hood and stated that he was very cooperative with his office; that the reports and work received from our office were in high class shape and very satisfactory.

Superintendent of Police George Reyer was high in his praise of the Agent in Charge and our New Orleans office. He stated that SAC Hood was very cooperative with the New Orleans Police Department.

Inspection New Orleans Office
Dec. 30, 1938 to January 5, 1939
Inspector J. S. Egan

HHC:BG

January 17, 1939

PERSONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL

Mr. R. B. Hood

Federal Bureau of Investigation
U. S. Department of Justice
5256 U. S. Department of Justice Building
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

There is attached hereto a copy of the summary of delinquencies noted by Mr. Egan during the course of his recent observations at the New Orleans office. This summary is being furnished to you for your convenience in order that you may correct the delinquencies which are listed.

Please advise the Bureau just as soon as these matters have received appropriate attention.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover
Director

Inclosure

67-715-457

January 21, 1939

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Mr. Richard B. Hood
Federal Bureau of Investigation
U. S. Department of Justice
1308 Masonic Temple Building
X New Orleans, Louisiana

Dear Mr. Hood:

You are hereby directed to proceed to
Los Angeles, California, immediately, and assume the
duties of Special Agent in Charge of the Los Angeles
Field Division.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover
Director

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January 20, 1939

MEMORANDUM FOR J. E. TOLSON

The following is a list of the Inspectors and Special Agents in Charge in the Bureau, with notations as to their present headquarters, grade, and salary, and the date of their last promotion:

<u>NAME</u>	<u>HEADQUARTERS</u>	<u>GRADE</u>	<u>SALARY</u>	<u>DATE OF LAST PROMOTION</u>
<u>Special Agents in Charge</u>				
Gebben, E. J.	Chicago (Ass't. SAC)	CAF 11	4000	11-1-33 4200
Hood, R. B. //	New Orleans	CAF 12	5200	7-1-33 5400
Mottel, G.	Washington	CAF 12	5000	7-1-38 5200
Kitchin, A. P.	Newark (Acting SAC)	CAF 12	4500	11-16-33 4800
Leckie, A. D.	Philadelphia	CAF 12	4600	7-1-38 4800
Listerian, C. L.	Denver (Acting SAC)	CAF 12	4600	11-16-33 4800
McKee, C. K.	Richmond (Acting SAC)	CAF 12	4600	11-16-33 4800
McLaughlin, W. V.	Huntington (")	CAF 11	4400	7-1-38 4600
Norris, G. B.	St. Louis (")	CAF 12	4600	11-16-33 4800
Pieper, W. J. L.	San Francisco	CAF 12	5000	7-1-38 5200
Rosen, A.	Cleveland (Act. SAC)	CAF 11	4600	1-1-38 4800
Rutzen, A. C.	Miami (")	CAF 11	4000	7-1-38 4400
Sackett, B. A.	Milwaukee	CAF 12	4800	5-1-37 5000
Scheidt, E.	Charlotte (Act. SAC)	CAF 12	4600	11-16-38 4800
Sears, J. F.	Pittsburgh (Act. SAC)	CAF 11	4200	1-1-38 4400
Soucy, E. A.	Birmingham (Act. SAC)	CAF 11	4200	7-1-38 4400
Vincent, J. W.	Atlanta	CAF 12	4800	7-1-38 5000

Respectfully,

A. H. Crowl

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January 28, 1939

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. TOLSON

It is my desire that the following promotions be recommended. If it is not now possible to have these promotions put through, I want steps taken to have them effected just soon as it is possible.

M. E. Gurnea	-From \$5600 to \$6000
L. Bl. Nichols	-From \$5600 to \$6000
W. G. Banister	-From Acting SAC to SAC
J. S. Bugas	-From Acting SAC to SAC
R. C. Coulter	-From Acting SAC, CAF-11, to SAC, CAF-12
J. L. Dalton	-From \$4600 to \$4800
H. B. Fletcher	-From \$4600 to \$4800
E. J. Gebben	-From \$4000 to \$4200
R. B. Hood	-From \$5200 to \$5400
G. Hottel	-From \$5000 to \$5200
A. P. Kitchin	-From Acting SAC to SAC - \$4600 to \$4800
A. B. Leckie	-From \$4600 to \$4800
W. L. Listerman	-From Acting SAC to SAC
S. K. McKee	-From Acting SAC to SAC - \$4600 to \$4800
W. V. McLaughlin	-From Acting SAC to SAC- CAF-11, \$4400 to CAF-12, \$4600
G. B. Norris	-Acting SAC to SAC - \$4600 to \$4800
N. J. L. Pieper	-From \$5000 to \$5200
A. Rosen	-From Acting SAC to SAC - \$4600 to \$4800
A. C. Rutsen	-From Acting SAC to SAC - \$4000 to \$4400
B. E. Sackett	-From \$4800 to \$5000
E. S/heidt	-From Acting SAC to SAC - \$4600 to \$4800
J. F. Sears	-From Acting SAC to SAC- \$4200 to \$4400
E. A. S oucy	-From \$4200 to \$4400
J. W. Vincent	-From \$4800 to \$5000

Very truly yours

John Edgar Hoover
Director

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OFFICE OF DIRECTOR
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

Mr. Nathan ☒
Mr. Tolson ☒
Mr. Baughman _____
Mr. Clegg _____
Mr. Coffey _____
Mr. Crowl _____
Mr. Egan _____
Mr. Foxworth _____
Mr. Glavin _____
Mr. Harbo _____
Mr. Hottel _____
Mr. Kleinkauf _____
Mr. Lester _____
Mr. McIntire _____
Mr. Naughton _____
Mr. Nichols ☒
Mr. Pennington _____
Mr. Rosen _____
Mr. Schilder _____
Mr. Tamm _____
Mr. Tracy _____
Miss Gandy _____

Record of Telephone Call or Visitor.

Feb. 8 1938.

Time 12:40 pm

Name SAC Hood tele from Los Angeles

Referred to _____

Details:

1:26 PM I called Hood and advised him to see Chandler today 2-8-39

Advised that reporters have requested his photo and data concerning him as the new SAC at Los Angeles.

Reporter Taylor Trombough of the Los Angeles Times telephoned and was given no information

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Mr. Hood stated that a favorable editorial appeared in the Times on Monday Feb. 6 and he inquires if he might telephone the Times and inform Mr. Chandler that he will be glad to give a photo and the information requested to another representative of the paper.

He also inquires if Trombough calls at the office personally should he refuse to see him.

John Hanson called on Hood yesterday and was very cordial, he advised Turrou will be at Warners until June 1, 39.

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
COMMUNICATIONS SECTION

FEB 14 1939

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Mr. Tolson.....
Mr. Nathan.....
Mr. E. A. Tamm.....
Mr. Clegg.....
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FBI JUSTICE WASHINGTON DC

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DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
PERSONNEL RECOMMENDATION SHEET

Name: *W. Edward B. Wood*

Date: *February 16, 1957*

Present Status

1. Title: *Special Agent*

2. Grade: *GS-12*

3. Salary: *\$400 per annum*

4. Seat of Government: ()
Field: ()

5. Division:

6. Appropriation: "Salaries and Expenses,
Federal Bureau of Investigation"

Proposed Change

7. Title: *Special Agent*

8. Grade: *GS-12*

9. Salary: *\$400 per annum*

10. Seat of Government: ()
Field: ()

11. Division:

12. Appropriation: "Salaries and Expenses,
Federal Bureau of Investigation"

13. Effective: *March 1, 1957*

14. Position: Additional: ()
Vice:

Identical:

15. Remarks:

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CC: Miss Waddle
Chief, Audit Section

Respectfully submitted,

Director, Federal Bureau of Investigation.

Requirements as to Classification Act:

Efficiency ()

Date

Initial

Average provision ()

approved:

The Administrative Assistant
to the Attorney General.

Funds certification:

approved:

The Assistant
to the Attorney General.

Note: If more than one personnel change is proposed, schedule the same on a separate sheet under captions 1 to 15 above, and attach hereto.

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

Kidnap Squad School Record

Special Agent R. B. HOOD

Mr. Tolson	✓
Mr. Nathan	
Mr. E. A. Tamm	
Mr. Clegg	
Mr. Coffey	✓
Mr. Crowl	✓
Mr. Egan	
Mr. Foxworth	
Mr. Glavin	✓
Mr. Harbo	
Mr. Lester	
Mr. McIntire	
Mr. Nichols	
Mr. Quinn Tamm	
Mr. Tracy	
Miss Gandy	

School beginning: January 9, 1939

Ending: January 19, 1939

Office of Assignment: Los Angeles

Entered on Duty: 9-24-34

Office of Preference: None

Salary: \$5200

Legal Residence: Gary, West Virginia

Date of Most Recent Promotion: 7-1-38

Age: 30

Marital Status: Married

Education: B.A. and LL.B. Degrees

During the course of this school, the above-named employee was given instruction in surveillances; description of persons; uses of sound equipment; arrest techniques; handling prisoners in cities, rural areas or detention rooms; searches of places and searches of persons; actual crime scene searches; interviews; relations with the press; activities of the detail assigned to the kidnapped victim's home; caring for and handling equipment; organization, administration and duties of various personnel on a kidnap squad; and practical experience in a hypothetical kidnapping case.

His firearms grades were as follows:

Hip Shooting:	Good
Practical Pistol Course:	60
Automobile Course - Pistol:	---
Automobile Course - Machine Gun:	---
Shotgun:	100
.30'06 Rifle:	91
.351 Rifle:	72
Machine Gun:	100
Night:	95

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Remarks: This employee I consider to possess excellent personal characteristics and attitudes and rates from good to excellent in various skills and practical application. He is above average in mental qualifications, average to better in physical qualifications, and has definite ability as a leader. He was rated as excellent in status as a Special Agent, Resident Agent, number 1 man, and good as a Special Agent in Charge.

Respectfully,

H. H. Clegg

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February 18, 1939

Mr. R. B. Hood
Federal Bureau of Investigation
United States Department of Justice
810 South Spring Building, Room 603
Los Angeles, California

Dear Mr. Hood:

The following is the firearms record made by
you during the course of the recent Kidnap Squad School
held in Washington, D. C.:

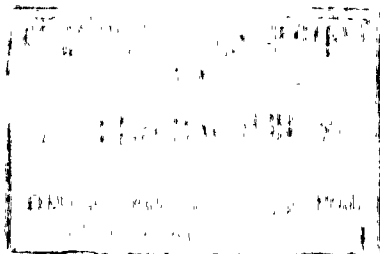
Hip Shooting:	Good
Practical Pistol Course:	60
Shotgun:	100
.30'06 Rifle	91
.351 Rifle	72
Machine Gun:	100

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover
Director

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Mr. Tolson	
Mr. Nathan	
Mr. E. A. Tamm	
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Mr. Egan	
Mr. Foxworth	
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Mr. Tolson.....
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New G'er on Film Row

Los Angeles, Feb. 14
 Richard B. Hood moved in as
 chief of Uncle Sam's probers, cur-
 rently looking over the records of
 Fox-West Coast Theatres for pos-
 sible anti-trust law violations.
 Hood replaces John B. Hanson,
 resigned.

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R B Hood

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

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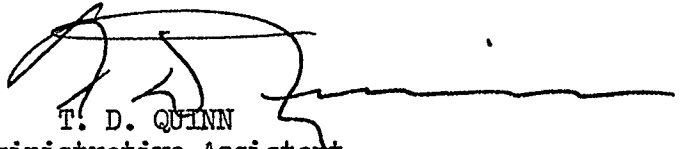
T. D. QUINN
ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT TO
THE ATTORNEY GENERAL

Department of Justice
Washington

March 8, 1939

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. HOOVER,
DIRECTOR, FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION.

There is enclosed for your attention
and reply an inquiry from the Harvard Alumni
Directory for information as to the present
address of Mr. Richard Byrnes Hood, a Special
Agent.


T. D. QUINN
Administrative Assistant
to the Attorney General.

Encl. 389275 attached

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Mr. Corbelle
 Mr. Crain
 Mr. Hill
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 Mr. Holland
 Mr. Donaldson
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 CAMBRIDGE, MASS.
 1939
 THIS SIDE OF CARD IS FOR ADDRESS

Name Richard Byrnes Hood L

Last Known Address 61 Nassau St., Uniontown, Pa.

Present Home Address

Business Address

Occupation

Remarks

Signature

CAMBRIDGE, MASS.

LEHMAN HALL

HARVARD ALUMNI DIRECTORY



THIS SIDE OF CARD IS FOR ADDRESS
REPLY CARD

OFFICE OF THE HARVARD ALUMNI DIRECTORY
CAMBRIDGE, MASSACHUSETTS

We have lost touch with the former Harvard student named on the attached card. It is important for the University to secure a reliable address of this man for its permanent records. We are applying to you to help us locate him.

If you cannot supply the present address, we should be grateful for the name of a friend or relative who might have this information. In the event of death, we are desirous of learning the day, month, year, and place of its occurrence.

Very truly yours,

HARVARD ALUMNI DIRECTORY

INCLOSURE

Nº 389275

FROM

Department of Justice

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March 10, 1939

Harvard Alumni Directory
Lehman Hall
Cambridge, Massachusetts

Dear Sirs:

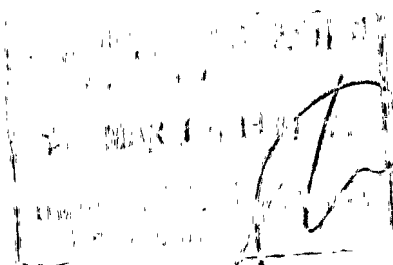
Your recent communication addressed to the Department of Justice at Washington, D. C., requesting certain information concerning the whereabouts of Mr. Richard Byrnes Hood, has been referred to this Bureau for reply.

You are advised that Mr. Hood is now in the employ of this Bureau, and any communication directed to him in its care at Washington, D. C., will be forwarded to him wherever he may be at the time of its receipt.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover
Director

cc - Los Angeles



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March 8, 1939

Mr. Richard B. Hood
Federal Bureau of Investigation
United States Department of Justice
810 South Spring, Room 603
Los Angeles, California

Dear Mr. Hood:

It is with pleasure that I am enclosing a letter from the Attorney General advising you of your promotion from \$5200 per annum to \$5400 per annum in grade CAF 12, effective March 1, 1939.

Sincerely yours,

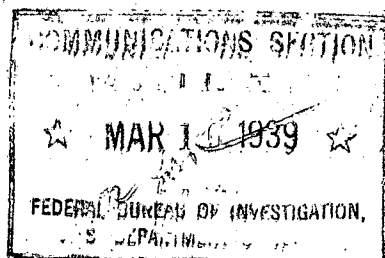
J. Edgar Hoover

John Edgar Hoover
Director

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Mr. Tolson.....
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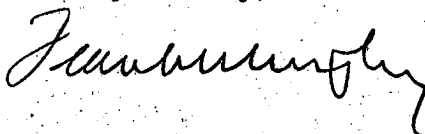
February 16, 1939

Mr. Richard B. Hood
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Department of Justice

Dear Mr. Hood:

Your salary as a Special Agent in the Federal Bureau of Investigation, Department of Justice, is hereby increased from \$5200 per annum to \$5400 per annum, in Grade Gaf-12, effective March 1, 1939, and payable from the appropriation for "Salaries and Expenses, Federal Bureau of Investigation," FIELD.

Respectfully,



Attorney General.

By the Attorney General:

(Signed) Joseph B. Keenan
The Assistant to the Attorney General.

New Orleans, Louisiana
March 14, 1939

Special Agent in Charge,
Los Angeles, California

~~PERSONAL & CONFIDENTIAL~~

Dear Sir:

RE: SAC R. E. HOOD
Personnel Matter

Attached hereto is a memorandum containing the grades made by you during an inspection of the New Orleans Field Office last January, which memorandum should be included in your personnel file.

Very truly yours,

B. E. SACKETT,
Special Agent in Charge

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Enclosure
cc Bureau

MAR 20 1939

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DEF. CLK. *[Signature]*

LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA
March 24, 1939

Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Washington, D. C.

R.B. Hood

Re: Special Agent JOSEPH H. ZIEGLER

Dear Sir:

This will refer to telephonic conversation had on this date with Assistant Director W. R. GLAVIN with reference to an incident that occurred in the New Orleans territory some weeks ago, at which time Agent JOSEPH H. ZIEGLER was endeavoring to effect the apprehension of a fugitive.

I clearly recall that some three months ago I had just left the office for dinner in the evening when I was called back from the elevator in the hall to receive a long distance call from that Agent. As I recall it, he stated that a fugitive had just got away from him. I asked him for the details of the incident and he stated that it had been raining in the northern part of Louisiana for approximately one-half day and conditions of the roads and in the swamps where the investigation was being conducted were very bad. He stated that he was in the company of a Deputy Sheriff, whose name I do not recall, and that together they had gone to the home of some relative of this fugitive and as they approached it someone was seen to leave the house either by a window or by a door. It is my distinct impression that the identity of the individual was not known at the time and it was not until some relative in the house had been questioned that it was ascertained the person seen leaving the premises was in fact the fugitive.

I am quite positive that ZIEGLER did not tell me he had personally talked to an individual later ascertained to be the fugitive, for I would have considered this a very serious situation and would have personally proceeded to the scene to investigate the matter thoroughly or would have ordered some other Agents to that place to properly handle the situation. I do recall instructing him to remain at the house rather than tramp through the swamps under the conditions as they then existed, and because of the fact that he was not familiar with the terrain.

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Director
Re: Special Agent
Joseph H. Ziegler

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March 24, 1939

As I recall, there was some consideration given to taking this relative into the swamps to lead them, but it was felt that the fugitive would not be located in this manner and that possibly this relative might go out into the swamps and be able to effect a contact himself and endeavor to have the fugitive surrender to the Agent and the Deputy Sheriff. I told Agent ZIEGLER to remain at the house all night if it were necessary. He stated he would have to leave his car several miles from this house, but I told him he should walk this distance and remain there as long as there was a possibility of apprehending the fugitive.

There was absolutely no indication of any failure on the part of the Agent to exercise good judgment or proper investigative procedure in the report telephonically made to me. I cannot state definitely at this date whether I signed the investigative report later submitted by the Agent covering this investigation, but it is my impression that I did not.

I have given considerable thought to this matter to refresh my recollection and the above constitutes as accurate a statement as I can make.

Very truly yours,

RBH:MO

R. B. HOOD,
Special Agent in Charge.

Air Mail

R. B. HOOD
APT. 5 - 539 SOUTH BERENDO
LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA

Mr. Tolson	✓
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Mr. Coffey	
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March 30, 1939

Mr. J. Edgar Hoover
Federal Bureau of Investigation
U. S. Department of Justice
Washington, D. C.

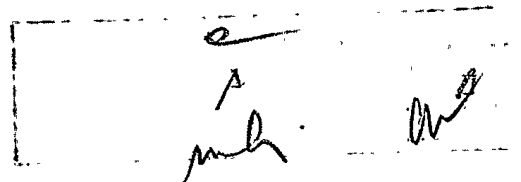
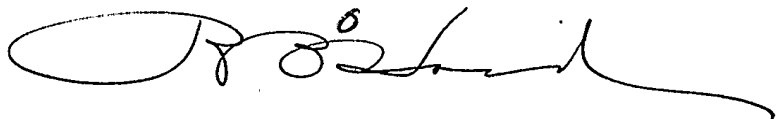
Dear Mr. Hoover:

Permit me to thank you for your kind letter of March 8th, 1939 advising me of my recent promotion in salary.

The confidence placed in me by my recent transfer to Los Angeles and this increase in salary is sincerely appreciated and I assure you that I will continue to work for the best interests of you and the Bureau.

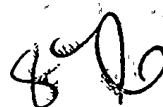
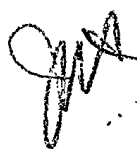
With best wishes and kindest regards,

Sincerely,



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Time: 10:50 a.m.

March 18, 1979

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTORRE: SUBVERSIVE ACTIVITIES
Otto A. L. Ritter

I called Agent V. I. Parry at Los Angeles regarding the attached teletype from the Los Angeles Office dated March 17, 1979, wherein it is stated that the Los Angeles Times is to carry an article on the 18th to the effect that Norman Henderson, Investigator of San Bernardino District Attorney's Office, stated he had referred case regarding Doctor Otto Benjamin Leo Ritter to Department of Justice and had been rebuffed.

I asked Mr. Parry why Henderson thinks he has been rebuffed. Mr. Parry advised that he could not understand this; that on March 15, Henderson called the Los Angeles Office and indicated that a brief case had been left in a tavern near San Bernardino by two men, who had been making statements in the tavern to the effect that they were "big shots"; that the tavern keeper turned the brief case over to the District Attorney's Office of San Bernardino County and that contained therein were some papers of a peculiar character, indicating big deals in Germany and other places, some of which papers are in German and others are thought to be in code. Henderson further advised he was going to make copies of these papers and then place the brief case back in the tavern. Mr. Parry advised that Henderson did make the copies and also promised to hold them for the Los Angeles Office.

Mr. Hood has been advised by U. S. Attorney Harrison that the District Attorney at San Bernardino County had what appeared to be a big case to him and would appreciate an Agent being sent to San Bernardino.

According to Mr. Parry, the newspapers carried an article stating that the San Bernardino authorities had arrested a Charles D. Winters, who was a companion to Dr. Ritter, when he called for the brief case and that it had been determined that Ritter was wanted for a confidence game in New Jersey.

Mr. Parry advised that Ritter escaped and through the Immigration authorities it has been found that he is wanted for illegal entry into the United States. Two suit cases belonging to Ritter and which were filled with documents having a peculiar appearance have been located. Mr. Parry informed that it so happened that an Agent was in the vicinity of San Bernardino yesterday and contacted Henderson and examined these

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documents all yesterday afternoon and into the early part of the evening. Mr. Parry stated that therefore he cannot understand the statement in the Times. The article which appeared in the Times in part is as follows:

"Norman Henderson, San Bernardino County District Attorney's investigator, yesterday asked the Department of Justice in Los Angeles to participate in the case against Ritter but reported being rebuffed. Henderson also is local correspondent for a wire news service."

I asked Agent Parry whether he had inquired of Henderson whether he made such a statement and was advised that this had not been done since he had sent the teletype to the Bureau.

I told Mr. Parry that first of all I would ask Henderson if he made such a statement and if he says that he did, then to point out to him that we have had a man working on the matter to determine whether there is any Federal violation within the Bureau's jurisdiction and to ask him just what he means. Further, that should inquiries be made by the press, to advise that Henderson has not been rebuffed and as a matter of fact the Bureau has been checking into the matter to see whether there is any violation within our jurisdiction.

In the event Henderson denies making such a statement, I advised Mr. Parry that upon being contacted by the newspapers to state that he is not only at a loss to understand what the article is about but that Henderson has denied making such statement.

No. We shouldn't wait to be contacted but should take the initiative. H

Mr. Parry stated he would be guided by my instructions.

Respectfully,

I don't like this at all. We sit idly by & let a statement like this stand unchallenged. Los Angeles should have at once before we called, E. A. Tamm checked with Henderson & also have called other papers & stated the real facts. But by the time Parry gets around to it it is no longer news. See that Parry is relieved of duties of No. 1 & that Hood is advised of my displeasure.

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March 21, 1939

9:07 P. M.

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

Re: Special Agent V. I. Parry

In accordance with your notation contained on my memorandum of March 18, 1939 entitled "Subversive Activities; Otto A. L. Ritter," I called SAC Hood at Los Angeles and stated you were most disappointed in the manner in which Agent Parry handled the newspaper comment of the Los Angeles Times in which Norman Henderson, Investigator of the San Bernardino District Attorney's Office, was quoted as saying he had referred this case to the Department of Justice and had been rebuffed. I pointed out that the first reaction of the man acting in charge of the office should have been to get in touch with Henderson and see whether he had made such a statement, and if he did, what he meant by it. I advised SAC Hood that you felt Agent Parry had been dead on his feet in not rallying to the defense of the Bureau, and when the newspapers called him in not stating the facts of the case. In other words, Henderson accused us of something which was untrue and we left it go unchallenged, the situation being particularly bad in view of the newspaper relationship becoming increasingly tense all the time.

Hood stated he would go into the matter in detail with Parry and instruct him as to future action. However, I informed Hood you feel we should have someone who is a little bit more on his toes as Number One Man at Los Angeles, and that he should look over his staff and send an airmail special delivery recommendation to the Bureau for a man to replace Parry as Number One Man.

Respectfully,

E. A. Tamm.

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April 20, 1939

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

Re: Causes of Reduction in Pending Cases and Personnel
in New Orleans Office.

R.B. Hood

While in New Orleans I conferred at some length with Special Agent in Charge B. E. Sackett as to the circumstances which had arisen which caused him to recommend the release of Special Agents from the New Orleans Office and the reduction in the number of pending cases, as well as the closing out of a large number of old unclosed cases. I found the following to have been the circumstances, as a result of my conversations and observations:

1. Mr. Sackett has reorganized the New Orleans territory. He has divided up the district of Southern Mississippi and the state of Louisiana into zones, has assigned one man to each zone and assigns all the work in each zone to one man. This avoids duplication of travel. He stated that he found Agents handling cases which would require them to do the major portion of work in one section of the territory and the case would be completed in another area which required too much travel.
2. He claimed that he was getting rid of dead weight cases; that prior to his arrival assignment cards were prepared and cases were opened when the only function to be performed was the interviewing of an applicant. Cases were opened whenever the Bureau instructed the Agent in Charge to give a release to the press or a memorandum was forwarded for general release purposes. He stated that this was administrative work of the Agent in Charge, with which I agreed, and he closed out all pending cases of this type when the only duty to be performed was administrative work by the Agent in Charge.
3. He stated that he had found that numerous cases were unassigned in the New Orleans office although individual leads were assigned. This would indicate in the Administrative Report that a considerable number of cases were not being worked on or were not assigned although the leads themselves were being handled by individual Agents throughout the district. Sackett said he was assigning cases instead of leads and was fixing responsibility on the Agents for the cases and, therefore, the number of unassigned cases were being diminished because of this fact.
4. Mr. Sackett stated that prior to his arrival in New Orleans three Special Agents were handling War Risk Insurance cases exclusively and if any remote leads arose in a War Risk Insurance case that previously only these three Agents were permitted to handle the leads. Sackett stated after his arrival incidental leads in remote sections of the country were being assigned to the Agents on general assignment who covered the territory where the leads were pending and this was reducing the amount of travel which was required.
5. Mr. Sackett pointed out that he had obtained permission to close out cases where there was a suspended imposition of sentence from year to year and instead to carry ticklers to report the final sentence when the

This doesn't look good for his predecessor. Better find out if Hood is at fault.

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sentence was imposed and this further reduced the number of pending cases which required no investigative work.

6. I inquired of Sackett as to whether he was receiving as many cases now as he had previously. He stated during the previous month, March, 1939, he had received 77 cases with New Orleans as office of origin and 95 cases from other offices, making a total of 172 cases, as compared with March, 1938, with 88 cases received in the New Orleans territory and 59 cases from other districts, making a total of 147 cases. Although there was a reduction of 11 cases received within the New Orleans territory he pointed out he was not opening up administrative cases when the work was to be performed by the Agent in Charge.

Mr. Sackett pointed out that Special Agents Dorris and Morgan were assigned to the Chapman case exclusively and he had three men on War Risk Insurance cases and he was not prepared to relinquish the services of any other Agents at the present time, but hoped he might be at some time in the future.

8. Mr. Sackett stated that Assistant U. S. Attorney J. Fair Hardin was no longer in office at Shreveport. He previously would prosecute any case and the fact that his successors did not prosecute as many cases as Hardin likewise contributed to the number of cases which could be made of assignment.

Respectfully,

H. H. Clegg

*This does not look
very good for Hardin
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May 5, 1939

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Mr. R. B. Hood
Federal Bureau of Investigation
U. S. Department of Justice
810 South Spring, Room 603
Los Angeles, California

Dear Sir:

Since your departure from the New Orleans office, Special Agent in Charge Sackett has been able to release a number of Agents formerly assigned to the New Orleans office without apparently diminishing the amount of investigative work required. The Bureau recently made inquiry into this situation, with the following findings which are being submitted to you for your information and guidance:

(1) The New Orleans territory has been reorganized. It has been divided into zones and one man assigned to each zone who handles all the work within this particular territory, thus avoiding duplication of travel. Previously, it had been discovered that Agents would investigate cases which would require them to do the major portion of the work in one section of the territory and undertake considerable travel to another area to complete the case, thus losing time.

(2) There were indications that the former Agent in Charge at New Orleans, Mr. Hood, was opening cases when the only function to be performed was the interviewing of an applicant by the Special Agent in Charge. No work by a Special Agent was required, of necessity, and this was an administrative function of the Special Agent in Charge rather than an investigative function of a Special Agent. Cases should not be opened on such matters. Also, it was indicated that cases were being opened wherever the Bureau instructed the Special Agent in Charge to give a release or memorandum to the press for general release purposes, which likewise is administrative work of the Special Agent in Charge rather than investigative work of a Special Agent and thus no case assignment should be made.

(3) It was indicated that numerous cases were unassigned in the New Orleans territory although individual leads in these unassigned cases were being assigned. Therefore, the number of unassigned cases has now diminished considerably because of the fact that they are made matters of assignment to the Special Agents.

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(4) It was disclosed that previously in the New Orleans territory the three Special Agents handling War Risk Insurance cases would likewise be assigned to handle all leads in such cases, even though the leads be incidental thereto, requiring considerable travel. Recently the practice has developed of assigning incidental leads in various parts of the territory to regular Agents in connection with their other work, thus reducing the amount of travel required by the War Risk Insurance Agents.

(5) A good number of cases wherein there was a suspended imposition of sentence from year to year are now being closed with Bureau authority and ticklers are being noted to report the final sentence instead of continuing these cases in a pending status.

(6) It was indicated that Assistant United States Attorney J. Fair Hardin was no longer in office at Shreveport and formerly he would accept many cases which would not now be considered favorably for prosecution.

(7) The total number of cases received in the New Orleans office in March, 1939, was 172 cases; in March, 1938, 147 cases.

The above comments are being submitted to you with the hope that you will find set forth therein suggestions which will enable you to administer the affairs of the Los Angeles office in such a way as to avoid unnecessary duplication of travel and eliminate the practice which apparently had developed in one or two offices of making cases of assignment out of work of an administrative character to be performed only by the Special Agent in Charge in his office. The interviewing of applicants and the distribution of press release material by the Special Agent in Charge should not, of course, be made matters of assignment. It is believed that you can make a detailed survey of the territory covered by the Los Angeles office with a view to reducing travel and increasing the production of the individual Agents without requiring any additional amount of Agents' time in the performance of such work.

In the event there is any phase of the above observations which is not clear to you or about which you desire further information for your guidance in the organization of the territory now under your supervision, please do not hesitate to request such information of the Bureau as there are definite indications that considerable improvement has been made in New Orleans in order to effect a reduction in personnel and yet handle approximately the same volume of work.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover
Director

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May 12, 1939

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Mr. R. B. Hood
Federal Bureau of Investigation
U. S. Department of Justice
Room 603, 810 South Spring
Los Angeles, California

PERSONAL ATTENTION

Dear Mr. Hood:

I am enclosing a copy of a letter dated May 3, 1939, from Special Agent in Charge B. E. Sackett of the New Orleans Office, which I think illustrates what can be done in developing the right type of relationship which should exist between all of our Field Divisions and the newspapers located in their districts.

Sincerely yours,

John Edgar Hoover
Director

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May 10, 1939

Time - 2:43 P.M.

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

Re: Douglas Aircraft Bombing
Plane Crash.

R.B. Hood

In accordance with your instructions I wish to set forth the following information relative to the delay in the investigation of the Douglas Aircraft Bombing Plane Crash.

As soon as the material relating to this sabotage investigation was received in the Bureau it was transmitted to the Los Angeles Field Division by Air Mail Special Delivery letter on April 3, 1939, requesting an immediate investigation bearing upon the possible sabotage in connection with this matter. On May 3, 1939, thirty days after the original request, a wire was transmitted to Los Angeles requesting that it advise the earliest possible date of the submission of the report. On the next day Los Angeles advised by wire that the case was being handled as rapidly as possible and a report would be submitted next week.

Mr. Hood telephonically related the following information relative to the delay in the investigation in regard to this matter:

He advised that Special Agent Findley was working on this case at present; that he is preparing to dictate the material obtained as a result of his interviews.

Mr. Hood said that as far as can be seen there is not much to this complaint; that it is mostly a complaint of the union employees to the effect that the various airplane companies have in their employ a number of individuals of other nationalities, particularly Germans, and these employees think that some other people who deserve jobs are being kept out as a result; that they are raising the issue on this complaint. Mr. Hood said that there is not much evidence that would substantiate any allegations of sabotage or anything else.

He stated that in view of the nature of the investigation, he desired this case be assigned to Special Agent Findley who was the best equipped and available Agent to handle this type of case in that he was familiar with union activities in Los Angeles and vicinity.

Los Angeles person in company personally with other officials - 26000 words. He says nothing is necessary, etc. to be in the office with 5/10

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I am not satisfied with the way in which case is being handled. It is necessary attention be given to this matter. He is too sure of himself. He is making errors. He is not taking any steps to prevent them. He is not taking any steps to prevent them.

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Mr. Hood also related that there are other cases of a similar nature assigned to Agent Pindley and he has performed investigative work as to each of these consistent with the time available to him. He stated that a report was presently being prepared by Mr. Pindley and would be forwarded to the Bureau the latter part of this week.

Respectfully,

E. A. Tamm

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May 17, 1939

Mr. R. B. Hood
Federal Bureau of Investigation
U. S. Department of Justice
810 South Spring Building, Room 603
Los Angeles, California

Dear Mr. Hood:-

I have noted a number of instances recently wherein it appears that investigative matters pending in the Los Angeles Division have not been receiving prompt attention. There have been delays in a number of instances in securing action upon requests submitted to your office from the Washington headquarters of the Bureau. A review of the work throughout the entire field service indicates that the personnel assigned to the Los Angeles Division compares favorably with the personnel presently assigned to other field offices and I am unable to understand the reasons for these delays.

I would like to have you take the necessary steps to see that requests for investigative attention are promptly handled and that comprehensive reports reflecting the results of these investigations are promptly submitted.

Sincerely yours,

John Edgar Hoover
Director

AIR MAIL
SPECIAL DELIVERY

LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA
May 20, 1939

Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Washington, D. C.

Re: Condition of Work in Los Angeles
Field Division.

Dear Sir:

In reply to your recent communications of May 5 and 17, 1939, I am setting out below a detailed analysis of the work in the Los Angeles Field Division and action taken by me since my appointment as Special Agent in Charge with respect to it.

An examination of the road work box disclosed it was divided into twenty-two sections, which made it very difficult to handle the cards and did not facilitate the assignment of cases; this has been reduced to eight sections.

It had been several months since an Agent of this office had been on a road trip through the northern portion of the territory in Fresno and Merced counties. Special Agent E. G. FITCH has been handling all the work in this territory except for a trip of several days made by Special Agent A. L. HORN. The delinquent cases in this territory have been materially reduced. This portion of the territory has been assigned to this one Agent exclusively to permit efficient handling of the work and to build up contacts there. He has been in this area almost constantly since his arrival in this office. I am of the opinion that sufficient work exists in that portion of the territory now and will develop in the future to justify the establishment of a resident agency there, and my recommendation as to this appointment is being made the subject of a separate communication. That Agent has been handling all work in those sections of the road work box labeled "Fresno" and "Fresno Rural".

Special Agent F. E. WRIGHT is Resident Agent at San Diego, California. While he appears to be fully recovered from his illness, which required his separation from the service, it is important that he take safeguards to protect his health and I have insisted that he do so, as a result he has not performed an unusual amount of overtime. He is handling a very large volume of work as will be shown later in this communication. He handles all the work in the areas designated

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as "San Diego" and "San Diego Rural" in the road work box.

The work in the Santa Barbara area is delinquent as there is not frequent emergency work there; matters presently pending there are not as urgent as those in other sections of the territory. There are at present eleven unassigned cases and seventeen unassigned leads in this portion of the territory. After his return from Fresno next week, Agent E. G. FITCH will be sent to this area to handle the work there as it should not take much time to complete it.

There is considerable work in the area of San Bernardino and Special Agent W. E. DENCE was sent into this area immediately after his arrival in this office with as much of the work as I believed he could capably handle at one time. He spent two weeks there and on his return to the office for dictation I kept him in Los Angeles to engage in Bank Robbery investigations as the number of such cases has increased to the point where one Agent could not possibly handle the investigations of all cases. I wish to point out that during the year 1938 there were 13 Bank Robberies within this territory, and to date in 1939 there have been 19 such offenses or attempts; one of which is not under the Bureau's jurisdiction, but a tentative identification of a Bureau fugitive in the case makes investigation necessary. I wish to point out that this is a considerable increase in the volume of such work but the number of delinquent cases has increased but two since November of 1938. This increase of two delinquencies was mentioned in your letter of reference. I realize the importance of such cases and for this reason on May 15, 1939 Special Agent W. E. DENCE was assigned to this type of case. Special Agent H. A. SMITH has been handling the Bank Robbery work, and has the case of ARNOLD THOMAS KYLE, et al, assigned to him. With the volume of work arising out of the current cases, two robberies occurring on some days, it has been a physical impossibility for that Agent to keep all these cases up to date.

With the assignment of an additional Agent to this work it is expected that this delinquent condition will be improved considerably. With the assignment of this type of work to Agent DENCE it is not possible to give the San Bernardino territory to one Agent to handle and the delinquent work there will have to be handled by various Agents who go into that area from time to time on emergency matters. Whenever an Agent does go there he is given as much work as

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possible to cover in the time he will be there. I realize it is desirable to have an Agent handle a territory as fully as possible to avoid duplication of travel, but there is no Agent presently available to handle this entire area.

Within the metropolitan area of Los Angeles there is considerable work in Long Beach and San Pedro. As far as possible this is covered by Special Agent V. I. PARRY, but many matters arise in this area in the course of investigations by other Agents and they usually handle them as they arise. This is true in various sections of the metropolitan area and it is not in my opinion practical to assign an Agent to exclusively work the west side of town, for example; it appears more feasible to permit Agents to go there during the course of their investigations and have them cover leads from other cases pending there at the same time. This, in some instances, brings up the question of assignment of cases and leads. When an Agent has the opportunity to conduct some leads in a given territory, along with the work presently assigned to him, he is given the lead cards for that work. It may well be that the major portion of the investigation is elsewhere and it does not appear advisable to assign him the entire case, usually in such cases the duplicate assignment card will be found in another section of the road work box. The whole purpose of lead cards appears to me to be lost if it is necessary to assign the case to the Agent if he happens to have a lead in it assigned to him. Failure to assign such cases to the Agents is the criticism of the manner in which I handled the work in the New Orleans office.

When an Agent has thirty to forty cases assigned to him it appears to me unwise to assign him another because he has one lead assigned to him. It is my experience that an Agent cannot successfully handle thirty-five or forty cases and keep them up to date if there is extensive activity in them. Some of the cases are not going to receive attention and it is to me a more accurate picture of the condition of the work to have such cases carried unassigned. This is why some such cases were not assigned in New Orleans as I felt that each Agent had as many cases assigned to him as he could possibly handle. I feel the same about the volume of work now assigned to the Agents of this office.

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I am certain that there is no duplication of travel of the Agents in this territory except in the immediate metropolitan area of the city where some of it must necessarily exist; efforts are continually being made to keep such travel to a minimum.

I have examined the administrative report for the past six months with reference to the number of cases received and that report shows:

November, 1938	176
December	198
January, 1939	211
February	179
March	244
April	237

From the comments of your communications I believe you may be apprehensive concerning the increase of cases received and for your information in this regard the following is submitted showing the number of cases received from all sources in the most frequent classifications:

<u>Classification</u>	<u>November</u>	<u>December</u>	<u>January</u>	<u>February</u>	<u>March</u>	<u>April</u>
9	7	3	6	8	7	7
15	4	3	1	2	3	4
26	23	30	30	17	37	43
31	23	23	23	28	18	20
47	13	14	12	16	16	10
49	5	4	4	3	5	9
52	4	6	6	4	5	5
60	1	1	1	1	1	3
62	13	18	12	7	12	9
65	3	5	2	7	34	28
67	4	4	12	5	17	11
70	1	4	2	3	2	7
77	5	7	2	3	1	1
88	5	10	4	6	11	2
91	8	4	15	15	12	12
82	17	15	14	12	15	8

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I wish to point out that there is a general increase in the number of cases received of all types, particularly National Motor Vehicle Theft Act, Bankruptcy, Espionage, Personnel Matters, and Bank Robberies. The greatest increase is in Espionage matters. These have come from the Bureau direct, from the Army and Navy Intelligence and from private citizens here.

With reference to specific delinquencies, the ARNOLD THOMAS KYLE case has been mentioned. The investigation of the Consolidated Aircraft Corporation Sabotage was dispatched promptly upon its receipt for attention at San Diego to the Resident Agent; it was received here March 30, 1939, assigned April 1, 1939. The Resident Agent was dilatory in initiating his investigation in this case and it did not receive close supervision at the outset. The investigation is presently current, reports being submitted each week, and this will be done until it is completed.

The Crash of Douglas Aircraft Bombing Plane in Los Angeles (62-1607) was received in this office April 4, 1939, assigned to Special Agent J. G. FINLAY on April 8, 1939. I felt this Agent was most qualified to handle the interviews in this case by reason of his experience in Union matters. At this particular time that Agent was also engaged in investigation of The Silvershirt Legion of America, Fox West Coast Theatres, Judge Manton, and he was engaged in the investigation of the International Alliance of Theatrical Stage Employees, Antitrust. During this investigation he was specifically instructed to proceed with the Douglas Aircraft case regardless of developments in the other investigations. It is realized there was delay in handling of this matter and while it appears I have erred in judging the importance of the cases, the Agent was, I am certain, fully engaged in other very important assignments.

The case of FELIX CHADWICK, I.O. #1495, UNLAWFUL FLIGHT TO AVOID PROSECUTION (BANK ROBBERY) is in a very delinquent status. It is being reassigned to another Agent in an effort to give it continuous attention as it has not been possible for Special Agent G. V. BIERST to give it attention in view of the other work which he has had.

I am making a careful analysis of the work of each Agent assigned to this office in order to make certain that each is producing

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the fullest amount of work possible and will continue to do so and from time to time submit to you an analysis of it. The Agents of this office, I honestly feel, are putting forth their full efforts. They are performing considerable overtime, in fact, I was recently advised by the Bureau that the amount of overtime being performed by them was excessive and to take steps to reduce it; it is indeed difficult to reduce it and maintain the cases in an up to date status, but please be assured that my utmost personal efforts will be exercised to this end.

There follows, as requested by you, a list of Agents with cases assigned to them as of this date:

Special Agent GEORGE F. BICKLEY:

<u>File Number</u>	<u>Title</u>	<u>Date of Assignment</u>
15-200	Unknown subjects; Theft of One Case of Cigarettes from Truck of Alabam Freight Lines, Near Superior, Ariz., 1-15-39.	5-1-39
15-201	Unknown Subjects; Theft of One Case Whiskey from Southwestern Freight Lines Truck between Phoenix & Safford, Ariz., 1-22-39.	5-1-39
15-202	Unknown Subjects; Theft of Cigarettes & Tobacco from Phoenix-El Paso Express, Inc. Truck between Phoenix & Globe, Ariz., 1-8-39.	5-1-39
15-203	Unknown Subjects; Theft of One Case Chesterfield Cigarettes from Phoenix-El Paso Express, Inc. Truck between Phoenix & Safford, Ariz., 10-2-38.	5-1-39
15-204	Unknown Subjects; Theft of Three Cases Cigarettes from Phoenix-El Paso Express, Inc. Truck between Phoenix & Miami, Ariz., 10-26-38.	5-1-39

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Special Agent GEORGE F. BICKLEY (continued):

<u>File Number</u>	<u>Title</u>	<u>Date of Assignment</u>
15-205	Unknown Subjects; Theft of One Case Cigars from Phoenix-El Paso Express, Inc. Truck between Phoenix & Miami, Ariz., 10-30-38.	5-1-39
15-206	Unknown Subjects; Theft of One Case Chesterfield Cigarettes from Phoenix-El Paso Express, Inc. Truck between Phoenix & Safford, Ariz., 10-31-38.	5-1-39
15-207	Earl Thomas Halterman, w.a.	3-22-39
31-4079	Carroll Schoonover	4-20-39
42-113	John Henry Ethridge	5-1-39
47-1491	Herman Hiram Scott	5-2-39
50-6	Lee Harvey Jones; Robert Lee Perkins, Victim; National Negro Congress, Comp.	3-22-39
54-39	George C. Tibbs	3-22-39
60-145	Association of Stone Dealers of Southern California	5-3-39
65-95	John Worthman	3-22-39
65-107	Unknown Subjects; Morton C. Munma, Comp.	3-21-39
65-108	Newton Worthington, Complainant.	3-21-39
82-429	Arthur Hansen, C-330,176	4-6-39
82-630	Ellis Sawyer Foster, By & Thru Ruth M. Foster, Guardian.	4-6-39
82-746	Ernest G. Clark, deceased, By & Thru Laura Clark, Spec. Admin., KC-308,195.	4-6-39

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<u>File Number</u>	<u>Title</u>	<u>Date of Assignment</u>
87-750	Conrad Benjamin Nelson, C-386,103	4-17-39
82-764	William G. Hawkins, C-223,662	4-6-39
82-777	Daniel Boone Herring	4-6-39
82-829	John F. McGrath, deceased, by and thru Kate McGrath - Admin., XC-783,755	5-15-39
82-849	Ernest Fletcher White, deceased, by and thru Clara Belle White, Executrix, XC-312,564.	4-22-39
82-855	John Albert Haefner, C-313,176	4-6-39
82-866	Clifford Lamont Beresford, C-238,224	4-16-39
82-895	Grady T. Young, C-599,266	4-6-39
82-1178	Stuart L. Draper, by & thru Charles F. Draper, Guardian.	4-6-39
82-1315	Irven B. Esterline, XC-14,859	4-6-39
82-1317	Elmer C. Peterson, C-200,214	4-6-39
82-1416	John R. Gabriel, C-170,179	4-20-39
82-1440	Myron Fawcett, C-6,652	4-6-39
82-1452	Denzell V. Russell, C-120,029	4-6-39
82-1685	Percy Vivian Templeton, C-2,053,765	4-6-39
82-1788	Harry G. Gordon, XC-	4-6-39
82-1796	Fred Harley Watkins, C-	4-6-39

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<u>File Number</u>	<u>Title</u>	<u>Date of Assignment</u>
82-1800	Paul L. Fawn, C-	4-6-39
82-1815	Carl Francis Brindle, C-542,904	4-6-39
82-1878	Stanley K. Chacksfield	5-5-39
82-1884	William D. Lewis, by Mary L. Lewis	5-1-39
82-1909	Thomas A. Ryan	4-8-39
82-1919	Vincent Kiezel, Incomp., Natl. Bank of Detroit, Guardian.	4-22-39
83-107	Michael Grillo, w.a., Fugitive.	3-22-39
83-140	John Buford, w.a.	3-28-39
94-89	William F. Menton	4-26-39

It is estimated that it will require 65½ days to make the investigations. Agent BICKLEY is engaged in War Risk Insurance work primarily and it has lately been necessary to utilize his services in connection with the Antitrust case assigned to him. This work is practically completed and he will continue with his War Risk Insurance work. As you can see, this Agent has all the work he can possibly handle at this time, as he has 46 cases assigned to him.

Special Agent WALTER H. BOTT

<u>File Number</u>	<u>Title</u>	<u>Date of Assignment</u>
	Unknown Subjects;	7-16-38
7-45	Frank E. Sutton; Mr. & Mrs. Fred S. Harkham, et al, Victims.	11-21-38

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Special Agent WALTER M. ROTT (continued)

<u>File Number</u>	<u>Title</u>	<u>Date of Assignment</u>
26-3554	Fred Merrill, was. Fugitive	10-24-38
26-3582	Amiel R. Barker, wa. Fugitive	4-20-39
26-4522	Robert Whitall, w.a. Fugitive	11-3-38
36-5	George Wilbur Hawkins, Fugitive	1-21-39
47-1424	Alfred Murnin Chavez, wa. Fugitive	1-28-39
49-615	Hersch Saladuche, w.a. Fugitive, d.b.a. Uptown Shoe Store.	4-13-39
54-37	Russell Engler	2-1-39
62-1524	John Arthur Barry, w.a.; James Mann, w.a.	12-30-38
70-284	Unknown Subjects; Westwood Business Men's Association - Victim.	4-11-39
87-76	Unknown Subjects; Mr. & Mrs. Gary Cooper - Victims.	11-30-38
87-85	Unknown Subject; Mrs. Hattie E. Stevens, Victim.	11-21-38
87-146	Unknown Subjects (2); Roach & Driver, Inc., Victim.	10-26-38
87-155	Unknown Subject; Oscar Heyman & Bros. Inc., Victim.	10-26-38
87-156	Unknown Subjects; David Robert Cohen-Victim; Kaspar & Esh, Inc.-Viet.	10-26-38
87-160	Thomas Wilson, w.a. et al	12-30-38
87-189	James Willard Dewey Borton, w.a., Morris Wasserman, w.a. et al.	3-24-39

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Special Agent WALTER M. BOTT (continued)

<u>File Number</u>	<u>Title</u>	<u>Date of Assignment</u>
87-205	Charles Gardner, w.a. et al	5-4-39
87-217	Unknown Subjects; John E. McCauley, Victim.	4-13-39
88-53	Odell Patterson, w.a. Fugitive	1-28-39
88-179	Clyde Raymond DeNoss, w.a.	4-17-39

It is estimated that it will require 48 days to make the investigations. Agent BOTT is primarily engaged upon National Stolen Property Act cases. From time to time it is necessary to utilize his services on other matters but the bulk of his time is utilized in the National Stolen Property Act cases. This Agent has 20 cases assigned to him.

Special Agent WALTER E. DENCE:

<u>File Number</u>	<u>Title</u>	<u>Date of Assignment</u>
26-4629	Unknown Subject; DeSoto Coupe, Motor #B-K95,977.	4-23-39
26-4657	Otis Byrd, wa. Fugitive	4-23-39
76-472	Jack William Pirtle, wa. Fugitive	5-9-39
91-183	Unknown Subject; California Bank, Los Angeles, Calif. 5979 So. Bdwy.	5-12-39
91-230	Unknown Subject, Bank of America NTSA 47th & Bdwy. Branch, Los Angeles.	5-12-39
88-105	Frank J. Fuller, wa. Fugitive	4-23-39
91-164	Unknown Subjects; Bank of America NTSA Redondo Beach, California.	5-15-39

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Agent DENCE has just been assigned to Bank Robbery investigations for the last several days and it is expected that some of the delinquent cases presently assigned to Special Agent H. A. SMITH will be assigned to this Agent as soon as it is believed he is ready for additional work of this kind. This Agent has 7 cases assigned to him and it is estimated it will require 18 days to make the investigations.

Special Agent GLENN V. DIERST:

<u>File Number</u>	<u>Title</u>	<u>Date of Assignment</u>
7-8	Clarence Vernon Stevens, wa. Fug.	12-6-38
9-268	Unknown Subject; "O R"; Kathleen Wilson Holmes, wa.- Victim.	9-1-38
15-188	Carl Silver, wa.; Abe Silver, wa. etal.	2-4-39
26-3610	James Sullivan, wa. Fugitive, etal; George M. Lorus, Victims.	1-18-39
26-4382	Villa Senor; Carlos Mendez Gonzales	6-30-38
26-4396	James H. Allen	9-1-38
26-4508	E. G. Fabish, w.a.	10-20-38
31-3965	Curtis Charles Chestnut; Antonette Campbell, Vict.	11-28-38
32-96	Fingerprinting, Corona, Calif. Police	10-31-38
36-133	Max Strahl, wa. etal; Robert E. Geary, Fugitive.	2-23-39
47-1409	Charles J. Bordeaux, wa.	10-31-38

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Special Agent GLENN V. LIERST (continued)

<u>File Number</u>	<u>Title</u>	<u>Date of Assignment</u>
47-1448	F. A. Smith; Mary G. Guthrie-Vict.	4-20-39
49-616	Carl Pustau, w.a. et al	1-18-39
52-551	Jack Taylor; Unknown Subject; (Theft of 300 Ampules Neocarsphenamine)	11-10-38
54-27	Fritz Bieler - Fugitive	6-29-38
60-127	Pacific Coast Area Oil Investigation	9-19-38
62-1518	J. Gilbert; Carl Rockoff	11-10-38
65-69	Carl Cecil Nieman	1-7-39
65-127	Detective Everson, Complainant	4-23-39
88-72	Philip H. Chadwick, wa. Fugitive	12-6-38
88-147	Peter Pianezzi, wa. Fugitive; Herbert Dudley Ryan; Jackie Kane	12-9-38
88-185	John Allen Petersen, wa. Fugitive	4-20-39
88-191	Richard Box, fugitive, et al	4-14-39
91-137	Felix Chatard, wa. Fugitive; Unknown Subjects; Seattle 1st Natl. Bank, Greenwood Branch, 85th St. & Green- wood, Seattle, Wash. (11-27-36)	12-6-38
91-310	Unknown Subjects; Central Bank, Tacoma Washington (Robbed 3-15-39)	3-25-39

It is estimated that it will require 140 days to make these investigations. In view of the summoning of a Grand Jury,

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Agent HIRST is again exclusively assigned to the Pacific Coast Area Oil Investigation and it will probably be necessary to take almost all of the above assignments from him, other than that particular case, as it is estimated that there will be about 120 working days required for this investigation alone. He has handled a number of emergency investigations as well as those listed above, a number of which have become delinquent by reason of special assignments. This Agent has 25 cases assigned to him.

Special Agent JAMES G. ELLSWORTH:

<u>File Number</u>	<u>Title</u>	<u>Date of Assignment</u>
26-4526	Bert Lee Wagner, w.a.	4-24-39
26-4677	Bertram Franklin Warner, w.a.	5-12-39
26-4678	Paul Homer Knowles, et al	4-18-39
26-4693	Pontiac Coupe #8-141,384	5-3-39
26-4697	Pontiac, Motor #8 16,495	5-11-39
26-4704	Unknown Subjects; Chevrolet #1,073,644	5-17-39
47-1475	Jack Kelly	4-13-39
47-1481	J. Cateraccio	4-24-39
47-1488	Kenneth Ashare	5-6-39
47-1492	Raymond C. Triscoll, fugitive	5-11-39
60-144	Fertilizer Industry	5-3-39
62-1685	Norbert Collins, et al	5-17-39
76-477	Marvin B. Rodin	4-4-39
82-680	Edward R. DeYoung, C-563-734	4-7-39

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Special Agent JAMES C. ELLSWORTH (continued)

<u>File Number</u>	<u>Title</u>	<u>Date of Assignment</u>
82-881	John W. Foley, Deceased, By & Thru Mary Ellen Burdick, Admin. XC-1,202,636	10-10-38
82-1286	Elouise G. Smith, as Adm. of Elmer E. Smith, also known as Elmer E. Smith, Jr. (Deceased) KC-505,263	10-12-38
82-1231	Joseph S. Echavarne, by & thru Calif. Trust Co., Guardian of his Estate.	9-19-38
82-1372	Michael P. Sullivan, C-312,433	4-6-39
82-1353	Robert M. Butler, C-376,708	9-19-38
82-1608	Lovell L. Davis, C-180,932	9-19-38
82-1914	Laura Marie George, Adm. of Estate of Monroe George	3-14-39
82-1922	Stanley Garnet Evans; Edna L. M. Evans-Guardian.	4-25-39
86-17	H. E. Walsh	5-6-39
87-233	George F. Warner; Adam C. Baker-Vict.	5-4-39
88-174	David Kellum Martin - Fugitive Walter D. Morgan - Fugitive	5-8-39
88-193	Richard A. Garland, w.a. Edna Donalds Howerton - Vict.	4-28-39
94-101	Nuisance Communication; Walter Wanger - Victim.	4-11-39
94-104	Advertisement in L. A. Times Research.	5-9-39

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It is necessary to keep Agent ELLSWORTH in the office for the majority of the time inasmuch as I frequently leave the office for appointments and contacts and desire him to be readily available. The type of case generally assigned to him is that which he can handle from the office. This Agent has 28 cases assigned to him, and it is estimated it will require 15 days to make the investigations.

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Special Agent JAMES G. FINDLAY:

<u>File Number</u>	<u>Title</u>	<u>Date of Assignment</u>
9-175	Unknown Subjects; Mrs. David Selznick; Anna May Wong, Victims.	2-8-38
15-210	Unknown Subjects; Theft of two cases cigarettes from Consolidated Shippers, between Los Angeles and Phoenix, Arizona, 4-6-39.	4-10-39
26-3331	Earl Richardson, w. a. Fugitive.	2-3-36
28-129	Jack Spreid, w. a.	11-17-38
29-579	Wayne Morris Taber, fugitive; Citizens Nat'l Bank of Park Rapids, Park Rapids, Minnesota.	5-18-39
47-1224	William E. M. Rennie, w. a.	11-10-38
47-1368	Edward Joseph Smith, w. a.	3-1-39
47-1411	Leonard P. Rice	10-28-38
52-404	Unknown Subjects; Theft of three Field Glasses Type "EE", Serial #12,279, 12,651, 14,389, from Fort MacArthur, San Pedro, California.	3-1-39
60-37	United States vs. Foster & Kleiser Co., et al.	11-29-37
60-149	International Alliance of Theatrical & Stage Employees, George E. Browne w. a., et al.	4-28-39

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Special Agent JAMES G. FINDLAY (continued)

<u>File Number</u>	<u>Title</u>	<u>Date of Assignment</u>
62-645	U. S. vs. Standard Oil Company of California, et al	6-9-36
62-1607	Crash of Douglas Aircraft Bombing Plane Los Angeles	4-8-39
62-1303	General Petroleum Corporation of California, et al (Recovery of Oil Lands)	11-12-35
62-1573	California Oil Tide Lands	12-19-38
62-1612	Martin T. Manton, Judge	4-1-39
62-1616	Leon L. Lewis, Information Concerning	2-23-39
65-81	Silver Shirt Legion of America Inc.	2-24-39
76-470	Harry Everett Jones	3-6-39
94-90	W. B. Browne, Chief of Police, Glendale, California	4-15-39

It is estimated that 31 days will be required to complete this work. This Agent has been assigned a number of important matters dealing with subversive and related activities, and at present has considerable work to do in connection with the I.A.T.S.E. investigation which may develop into a very lengthy and extensive investigation. This Agent has 20 cases assigned to him.

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Special Agent E. G. FITCH

<u>File Number</u>	<u>Title</u>	<u>Date of Assignment</u>
1-20	Tulare, California, Police Training NPA	4-23-39
26-3991	Bill Moore, w. a. Fugitive	4-23-39
26-4327	Cleo Hutchins, w.a. Fugitive	4-23-39
26-4447	Bess Vail; (Fred Hunault, owner)	4-23-39
26-4594	James O. Hager	4-23-39
26-4610	James Gibboney, Jr.	4-23-39
26-4611	Unknown Subjects; (Studebaker, Motor #H 62,592)	4-23-39
26-4634	Joseph Ellsworth Robertson, s.a. Arthur Edward Phillis; et al.	3-13-39
26-4686	Robert D. Greathouse	4-23-39
26-4689	Leonard R. Schapira, w.a. Fugitive	4-27-39
31-3522	James Orville Patty, w.a., et al	3-19-39
31-4019	Asencion Macias, w.a.; Dora Gomez Martinez, victim.	3-19-39
31-4038	Maurice M. Shipley, et al; Dorothy C. Shipley, et al, victims.	4-23-39
31-4059	Jack Clarence Moore, Fugitive; Beulah Elizabeth Worley, victim.	4-23-39
31-4060	Roy F. Hobermale, w. a.	4-12-39

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31-4100 William Andrew Stapleton; Edith Davis, victim.	5-14-39
32-152 Mariposa County, California Fingerprint Contributors	4-23-39
33-8 Uniform Crime Reporting Lindsey, California P.D.	4-23-39
33-11 Uniform Crime Reporting Sanger, California, P.D.	4-23-39
33-13 Uniform Crime Reporting Selma, California, P.D.	4-23-39
33-14 Uniform Crime Reporting Taft, California, P.D.	4-23-39
42-107 James Aubrey Smith, w.a. Fugitive	4-26-39
47-1418 Paul R. Emerick	4-23-39
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[REDACTED] Informant	
52-326 Jack Gates, w.a. Fugitive	4-23-39
52-567 Earl Hoxie, w.a. Fugitive; George Pace, w.a., et al	4-23-39
52-571 Charlie Taylor, Fugitive; et al	3-21-39
65-90 Alfred G. Foulger	3-7-39
65-109 T. Mauri	4-23-39
67-1000 Melvin Siegfred Nelson	5-12-39

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Special Agent E. G. FITCH (continued)

<u>File Number</u>	<u>Title</u>	<u>Date of Assignment</u>
71-107	Mildred Jaunita Jones Re: Sweepstake ticket	4-23-39
73-326	Zone Kirkorian	4-23-39
91-261	Unknown Subject; Bank of America NTSA, Wheatland Branch, Wheatland, California, (robbed 11-9-38)	4-23-39
91-286	Unknown Subjects; Bank of America NTSA, Chowchilla, California, (robbed 1-9-39)	4-23-39

It is estimated that 15 days will be required to complete this work. As above stated, Agent FITCH has been covering road work in the general vicinity of Fresno, California, spending practically his entire time on the road. This Agent has 34 cases assigned to him.

Special Agent (A) F. P. HAIR

This Agent has no cases assigned to him at the moment - he having just returned from a special assignment in Phoenix, Arizona, and will be engaged in the case entitled PACIFIC COAST ARFA OIL INVESTIGATION for about three months. For the next few days, he will be engaged in the NEWSPRINT Antitrust investigation, after which time he will resume his accounting work on the above case. It is expected that several small cases, which he can handle after regular working hours, will be assigned to him in the next few days.

Special Agent in Charge R. B. MOOD

<u>File Number</u>	<u>Title</u>	<u>Date of Assignment</u>
9-99	Andrew Schwarzman; Cecil B. deMille, victim.	4-5-39

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Special Agent in Charge R. B. HOOD (continued)

<u>File Number</u>	<u>Title</u>	<u>Date of Assignment</u>
9-288	Harry Zeiger, et al Clerk Gable, victim.	3-15-39
9-308	Sally Brown [redacted] victim.	2-26-39
9-311	Unknown Subject; L. B. Mayer, victim	2-26-39
9-312	Unknown Subject; J. G. Mayer, victim	2-26-39
9-314	Unknown Subject (John J. Doane) Samuel Goldwyn, victim	2-26-39
9-323	George Frank Miller Cecil B. deMille, victim	2-23-39
9-342	Unknown Subjects, alias "The Ghost" Alice Faye, victim	5-12-39
62-1624	Clayton Edward Higgs	3-3-39
62-1630	United States Police Reserve Association - R.L.Dineley, Sec'y	3-6-39
65-172	Sehei Ono	4-26-39
76-468	Paul Lawrence Gurley	2-27-39
88-171	Herbert Lowe, w.s., Fugitive	3-11-39
91-315	Henry William Ramsay, w.s.	4-13-39
95-5	Miss Beulah Wright Mr. Gable, victim.	5-16-39

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Seven days investigative work remains in the above cases. For the most part, these are cases which can be handled by me from the desk. At this time, I have assigned to myself 15 cases.

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Special Agent A. D. HORN

<u>File Number</u>	<u>Title</u>	<u>Date of Assignment</u>
7-150	Unknown Subject; Charles Fletcher Mattson, victim.	5-10-37
26-4473	Unknown Subject alias John A. Bryans	9-10-38
26-4599	Edwin S. Rogers, Jr.	4-28-39
26-4609	Kenneth Smith; Bob _____.	4-26-39
33-30	Uniform Crime Reports Glendora, California	5-19-39
33-46	Compton, California, Uniform Crime Reporting	5-17-39
47-4480	Unknown Subject alias Jim & J. C. William Edwin Totten, complainant	4-21-39
52-579	Unknown Subject; Theft of '38 Chevrolet Coach, Motor #1,386,021	5-19-39
76-460	John Leon McCoy, w.a. Fugitive	5-5-39
87-132	LaVerne Moore, w.a.	3-20-39
88-75	Floyd Baxter Norris, w.a. Fugitive	5-19-39
91-170	Mike Murphy, w.a.; Bank of Stevenson, Stevenson, Washington	1-13-39
91-224	George Daum, w.a. Fugitive, et al; Rainier Branch, Seattle First National Bank, Seattle, Washington (robbed 2-11-38)	4-3-39

This Agent has the MATTNAP case assigned to him and spends practically his entire time on this investigation. When he is in the vicinity where other work is pending, and does not have

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sufficient MATTNAP work to make his trip worth while, additional leads are assigned to him, and that is why this Agent at present has 13 cases assigned to him. He estimates 40 days are required to complete this work, 30 of which are on the MATTNAP case alone.

Special Agent (A) J. F. HYNES

<u>File Number</u>	<u>Title</u>	<u>Date of assignment</u>
26-3925	Chick Evans, Fugitive	4-17-39
26-4680	Unknown Subjects; Lorenzo Montoya, et al.	4-18-39
36-60	John Emmerson Dimond, Fugitive	4-18-39
47-1486	James Debenedetto, w.a. Fugitive	5-4-39
62-1675	Milton John Helmick	5-6-39
79-50	Joseph August Harris	5-16-39
88-63	Price E. Elson, w.a. Fugitive	2-6-39

At present, this Agent is engaged in accounting work in the Motion Picture Antitrust case, and will be so engaged for approximately one month, after his return from assignment in the NEWSPRINT Antitrust investigation. This Agent has 7 cases assigned to him, the leads being such that he can cover them along with his other work.

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Special Agent D. W. Magee:

<u>File Number</u>	<u>Title</u>	<u>Date of Assignment</u>
9-272	Unknown Subjects; John Lighthouse, Victim,	9-19-38
9-324	Arthur J. Laforest wa Edward Chapman Victim	3-21-39
9-327	Benjamin Irvin Parkinson, wa D.I. Parkinson; Maynard D. Harris - Victim	3-14-39
15-193	Unknown Subjects; (Thefts from Los Angeles-Albuquerque Express Line, near Flagstaff, Arizona	4-17-39
26-4456	George Frederick Nowat wa, Fugitive	11-17-38
26-4674	Anthony Alahazos wa, Fugitive	4-15-39
28-127	California Art Co. etal	5-20-38
31-3282	Jack Egan etal; Kay O'Brien etal Victims	3-9-38
31-3896	Alex H. Lerry wa	9-1-38
31-3897	Harold B. Kenworthy wa	9-1-38
31-3898	Harold Richard Menard wa	9-1-38
31-3899	James Hearne O'Brien wa	9-1-38
31-3900	O. W. O'Neal wa	9-1-38
31-3901	Virgil Daniel Sinclair wa	9-1-38
31-3902	John Culbert Gamble wa	9-1-38
31-3904	Emil Glazier wa	9-1-38
47-1317	George A. Reid	7-20-38

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47-1441	Vernice Charla wa, Mrs. Harold W. Wolfe	3-23-39
47-1477	Charles K. Gordon wa Louis Pelegrino, comp.	4-18-39
49-592	Dave Jack Sterling wa.	12-16-38
49-603	Henry N. Smith, wa "Gold Corner" Store, Bankrupt	10-18-38
49-619	Albert Dokter	11-16-38
49-632	Eva M. Benson	11-10-38
49-663	Milton Enzer d.b.a. Enzer Fur Co.	4-19-39
52-555	Unsub (Trico Air Horn, 4 Firestone Tires, Vernon Base, U.S. Engineers Los Angeles, Calif.	12-19-38
62-627	Unknown Subjects (Murder of Special Agent Paul E. Reynolds)	5-3-39
62-1662	Alaska Pipe & Slavage Co.	4-21-39
65-79	Alfred Vogger alias "Duke the Greek"	3-2-39
65-105	Charles D. Winters; Dr. Otto Benjamin Leo Ritter	3-17-39
65-120	Unknown Subjects - Anon. Communication 2-23-39 San Bernardino, Calif.	3-23-39
70-139	Ray L. Malloy, wa, Ray L. Malloy, Fug.	2-28-38
70-280	S. B. Watts, Death of 2 Indians on Fort Yuma Indian Reservation	4-19-39
74-71	Benjamin Howard Tint etal	3-12-38

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<u>File Number</u>	<u>Title</u>	<u>Date of Assignment</u>
74-71	Benjamin Howard Tint etal	3-12-38
76-304	Jose Rodriques wa	4-27-39
76-362	Ralph Roe wa, Fugitive; Theodore Cole wa, Fugitive	2-1-39
88-93	Parl Benner, wa, Fugitive	4-17-39
88-173	Arthur Tucker wa, Fugitive	4-15-39
91-287	John Flood, with aliases Fugitive, First National Bank of Ardsley, Ardsley, N.Y.	5-15-39
91-306	Phillip Glanzer wa; Winters Nat'l Bank & Trust Co., Dayton, Ohio.	4-19-39

This Agent is engaged in general investigative work, and is handling a large amount of bankruptcy investigation. He has many fugitive matters given him from time to time along with his other work and is capable of producing a large volume of work. It is estimated that this Agent has twenty-seven days work on the cases presently assigned to him; he has forty cases assigned to him at the present time.

Special Agent A. R. Miller

<u>File Number</u>	<u>Title</u>	<u>Date of Assignment</u>
9-316	Fran Thomas; Dr. L. C. Audrain, Victim	1-31-39
26-3451	Earl Durham wa, Fugitive; Tense Martin	10-29-38
26-4658	Joseph Thomas Hart, wa, Fugitive	5-1-39
31-3573	Joe Wolf, Jr., wa; Unknown Victims	8-17-38

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Special Agent A. R. Miller (continued)

<u>File Number</u>	<u>Title</u>	<u>Date of Assignment</u>
31-3584	Walter William Taylor	5-13-39
31-3743	Confidential White Slave Traffic Act Investigation, Honolulu, T.H.	5-10-39
31-3849	Jerry San Juan; Geneva Munson, Victim	12-10-38
31-3850	Mike Moreno Sandoval, wa	4-20-39
31-3854	Deil Carr, wa; Madalynne Holifield, Victim.	11-17-38
31-3874	Herbert Jensen; Thelma Zugg, Victim	5-16-39
31-3879	Joseph Calvin O'Ward, wa; Margy Lee Ruth Moore - Victim	9-1-38
31-3882	E. W. Cochran, wa. etal.	1-19-39
31-3903	George Simmons, etal	11-21-38
31-3911	Ray Harris, Roy Harris; Vere Lucile Harris, etal - Victims	2-3-39
31-3933	Patrick O'Malley, wa, etal; Irene Costello, wa, etal	10-22-38
31-3945	Lee M. Hutchison; Mrs. Danzler, wa, Victim.	11-12-38
31-3946	Frank Veltri, wa, Frank LaVern	11-1-38
31-3974	Cecil Thone Pratt wa, Fugitive; Evelyn Lucile Summa, wa, Victim.	2-10-39
31-3978	John Jardine Calvert; J.J. Calvert, wa Angie Lee Jennings Victim, etal	12-10-38
31-3979	Unknown Subjects; Vice Conditions - San Luis Obispo and San Miguel, Cal.	12-18-38

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Special Agent A. R. Miller (continued)

<u>File Number</u>	<u>Title</u>	<u>Date of Assignment</u>
31-3980	Unknown Subjects; Kay Roberts, etal Victims	12-15-38
31-3981	Unknown Subjects; Dorothy Owens, Vict. etal.	12-15-38
31-4001	Lawrence Edwin Rakes; Ollie Hamblin Victim	4-14-39
31-4002	Ed Bleich; Mrs. Louis Weinstein, Vict.	1-17-39
31-4017	John Briggs; Ampara Guerrero, wa. Victim.	5-16-39
31-4026	Unknown Subject; Dorothy Morgan, wa, Victim	2-2-39
31-4049	Unknown Subject; Ida Real, wa, Victim	5-12-39
31-4055	Wah Lee; Joan Davis Calhoun, wa, Victim	4-28-39
31-4076	Anthony Patchel; Helen Patchel; Vict.	4-20-39
31-4084	Dallas Edman Carr, wa; Nancy Carr, wa, Victim; June Mason, Victim	5-4-39
31-4086	Frank Grimm, wa; Peggy Roe, Victim	5-4-39
31-4095	Hobart Norton; Essie Kauffman, Vict.	5-8-39
31-4106	Leon R. Ramos, wa	5-19-39
31-4107	Julius Villafior	5-19-39
31-4108	Joe Lombardi, wa.	5-11-39
31-4109	Rex Christenson Barger; Margaret Malcolm, Victim	5-17-39
47-1433	Lawrence Hays, wa; Berniece Cannon, Victim	4-14-39

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Special Agent A. R. Miller (continued)

<u>File Number</u>	<u>Title</u>	<u>Date of Assignment</u>
62-1449	Alexander Strakosch, wa	8-17-38
65-82	A. Paul Moerker-Branden	2-15-39
87-159	John Lieber Holmes, wa, Fugitive	10-12-38

It is estimated that this Agent has thirty-eight and one-half days investigative activity at the present time, practically all in connection with white slave cases. It is expected no increased activity will begin in this type of case in the immediate future as a contemplated course of action has been taken up with the Bureau in a separate communication. This agent is called upon to perform expedite matters from time to time as the occasion demands, but every effort is made to permit him to continue working on the white slave cases. This Agent has forty cases assigned to him at the present time.

Special Agent T. M. Mulerhin (A)

<u>File Number</u>	<u>Title</u>	<u>Date of Assignment</u>
26-4664	Unknown Subjects; Ford V-8, Motor No. 18-1,119,645	4-7-39
49-569	Sam Gold	6-16-38
49-630	Jack H. Freis; Joseph Goldberg, dba Freis & Goldberg	11-13-38
49-645	Cleo Cleve Maxwell	3-1-39
49-648	Henry Waller	3-1-39
49-664	Grover C. Simpkins	5-9-39
52-554	J. D. Wade	4-7-39
75-62	Raymond Lovlee	3-1-39
83-22	Douglas Aircraft Company, Inc., vs United States, #44199	5-17-39

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Special Agent T. M. Mulherin (A) continued:

It is estimated that this Agent has eighty-eight days investigative activity to complete in the cases presently assigned to him. Of these cases, that entitled DOUGLAS AIRCRAFT COMPANY, INC., vs UNITED STATES, Court of Claims, it is estimated will require sixty days of accounting activity. This Agent has nine cases assigned to him.

Special Agent M. B. Myerson (A)

<u>File Number</u>	<u>Title</u>	<u>Date of Assignment</u>
9-279	Hazel Hoagland; Sonja Henie, Victim	4-2-39
26-4569	C. O. Grizzard	4-1-39
26-4613	Unknown Subjects, alias Frank J. Pepper; Chevrolet Motor #2,762,728	3-13-39
31-3995	Mrs. Anna Faust Jewell; Eula Maye Lynn, Victim	4-22-39
31-4032	Polly Adler, wa; Baxter M. Shorter, wa, etal	4-22-39
31-4083	Oscar Berry; Florene Duncan-Victim	5-5-39
47-816	John Hicks Grant	3-1-39
47-1382	Ernest Claussen - Fugitive	3-28-39
47-1398	Charles F. Parker	3-31-39
49-527	Max Kennet Reiner, wa, dba E. M. Kay Manufacturing Co; Sam Gold; Harry J. Rosenblatt	12-12-38
49-618	Sidney Fell etal; Fell Fur Company	8-13-38
60-152	Newsprint Manufacturers & Distributors Pacific Coast Area	5-13-39
76-411	Luther C. Carpenter	5-4-39

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Special Agent H. E. Myerson (A) continued:

<u>File Number</u>	<u>Title</u>	<u>Date of Assignment</u>
91-268	Trinidad Tarin; Bank of America, WT&CA	4-2-39

This Agent has been engaged in accounting work on the Motion Picture Case which it is estimated will take approximately one month longer, and in addition he has eighteen days work in the cases presently assigned to him. The anti-trust case entitled NEWSPRINT MANUFACTURERS & DISTRIBUTORS, PACIFIC COAST AREA is assigned to this Agent and it is estimated this case alone will take approximately six days work. The cases assigned to this Agent other than this are of the type that can be handled by him in connection with his regular accounting work. This agent has fourteen cases assigned to him at this time.

Special Agent E. Lewis Nichols

<u>File Number</u>	<u>Title</u>	<u>Date of Assignment</u>
15-174	Unknown Subjects; Theft of COD Shipments from Railway Express Agency at Los Angeles, Calif.	3-1-39

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[REDACTED]	Informant	

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47-1421	Edmund Maxim Cannon, wa, Montgomery Irace Cavanaugh	3-1-39
47-1422	Edgar Owens Reed	3-1-39
47-1463	O. E. Brown; Shelburn C. McClain, Comp.	3-11-39
47-1466	The Military Order of Guards Aviation Division; Hubert Blanco, Comp.	3-16-39
52-547	Senior Van Velsir; Irvin; Van Velsir	3-1-39

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Special Agent L. Lewis Nichols (continued)

<u>File Number</u>	<u>Title</u>	<u>Date of Assignment</u>
61-42	Frank Wesa Jordan; William Chas Gates	3-2-39
61-55	The International Registration Bureau; Subversive Activities	5-1-39
65-51	Robert Schad	3-19-39
65-56	Karl Allen Drummond	3-17-39
65-58	Velma LaNarr; John C. Daum, Comp.	3-1-39
65-64	Unknown Subjects; SS "VANCOUVER," Hamburg-Am.Line Explosion, Oakland Estuary 11/3/38	3-30-39
65-75	A. Mohendorf	3-21-39
65-77	Frances Lutton	3-10-39
65-85	Herbert Pete Carstens	3-23-39
65-86	Unknown Subjects; Japanese at 6271 De Longpre Avenue, Los Angeles	3-4-39
65-88	Wolf Hoffman, Professor	4-12-39
65-93	Frederick Waller	3-11-39
65-94	Kiyoasha Okamoto	3-11-39
65-97	Unknown Subjects; Burgess Halston, Complainant	3-8-39
65-99	Richard E. Bowen	3-14-39
65-100	Unknown Subjects; Elisa Larth, Complainant	3-15-39

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Special Agent T. Lewis Nichols (continued)

<u>File No.</u>	<u>Title</u>	<u>Date of Assignment</u>
65-103	Henry Allen, wa	3-16-39
65-104	Gordoro Nakamura	3-17-39
65-110	Ivan Eahl	3-27-39
65-113	T. Hattori, etal	3-21-39
65-115	Mrs. Florence Morris, Complainant	3-27-39
65-116	Unknown Subjects; Delton Murray, Complainant	3-27-39
65-118	Eleanor Brandt; E. W. Holman, Comp	3-29-39
65-137	Mary Hanks, complainant	4-15-39
65-146	California Flying Service at Lines Field, Inglewood, Calif.	4-24-39
65-148	Marianna Koch	4-14-39
65-150	Fritz H. H. Huebner	4-17-39
65-153	Martha Hasen, wa	5-12-39
65-155	Herman Schaefer	4-14-39
65-157	Dr. Gottfried Karl F. Schnarrenberger	4-19-39
65-158	Mrs. P. W. Uhea, Complainant	4-19-39
65-160	Gan Eng	5-16-39
65-162	Willie Schneeberger	4-19-39
65-180	Fritz Hohn; B. H. Kugel, Comp.	4-28-39
65-181	Costea Wooth	5-16-39

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Special Agent R. Lewis Nichols (continued)

<u>File Number</u>	<u>Title</u>	<u>Date of Assignment</u>
[REDACTED]	Informant	5-3-39
65-191	Henry Parckschat	5-16-39
65-192	Kay Karschi	5-3-39
65-193	O. J. York	5-10-39
65-197	Dr. William P. Gerlach	5-11-39
65-201	The Russian National Union	5-12-39
65-202	Victor Von Borosini	5-16-39
67-1006	Daniel Lawrence O'Connor	5-16-39
70-232	Mrs. Effie Davis	4-22-39
77-271	James A. Lanigan	4-29-39
88-182	Clifford Bramble wa, fugitive	4-15-39
94-109	Ralph E. Vance	5-19-39

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It is estimated that this Agent has fifty-four days work assigned to him at the present time, the majority of which is in connection with espionage investigation. It has been my intention to have one man handle as much of this type of work as possible, in order that he might develop a full background in connection with it, and while the assignment is not an exclusive one, every attempt is made to have this Agent handle a large volume of cases of this type. He has fifty-four cases assigned to him.

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Special Agent W. H. Osborne

<u>File Number</u>	<u>Title</u>	<u>Date of Assignment</u>
26-4614	Richard F. Collins	2-21-39
60-122	Fur Dressing Investigation; Jacob Shapiro, wa, Fugitive, etal	2-26-39
67-1009	Richard Ernest Luebben	5-19-39

It is estimated that Osborne has one-hundred days of work assigned to him, practically all of which is in connection with the FURDRESS case upon which he is working exclusively. One or two emergency matters which he can handle while conducting his regular investigation have been turned over to him. The volume of work in the FURDRESS case remains almost constant as new leads are constantly being received with the full development of the case. This agent has but three cases assigned to him.

Special Agent V. I. Parry

<u>File Number</u>	<u>Title</u>	<u>Date of Assignment</u>
7-177	Communication No. 9716; Unknown Subjects; Peter David Levine, Victim	3-6-39
9-193	Unknown Subjects; Anthony A. Kausor, Victim	12-16-38
26-4157	Marion A. Cooley, wa,	4-22-39
26-4387	Ernest Peter Mueller, wa, Fugitive; Harry Buck, wa, Fugitive	5-13-39
26-4577	Fred Nantais, wa, Fugitive	3-7-39
26-4592	Unknown Subjects; Harley Davidson Motorcycle #37 ULH 2018	1-17-39

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<u>File Number</u>	<u>Title</u>	<u>Date of Assignment</u>
26-4648	Bryant Coffelt, Fugitive; Thomas McMullen	3-22-39
26-4681	H. T. Adams	4-14-39
31-3764	James Payne; Mrs. Sylvia Sanders, wa, Victim	3-29-38
31-3871	John Gilooly; Marie Melendy, Victim	8-18-38
31-4103	George Richard Pemberton	5-19-39
32-184	Ladislans Witkowsky	4-22-39
42-111	Anthonie J. Goudemond, Fugitive	4-27-39
45-142	Meyer Sopher; Theft of \$50,000. from Mrs. Lawrence Tibbett	1-6-39
47-1075	Lawrence Oran Taylor, wa,	6-21-37
47-1294	Henry Henke, wa	5-18-39
52-570	John Geyer	3-16-39
52-575	Unknown Subjects; Black & Decker Electric Drill, Serial #281,016	4-26-39
62-1560	Mrs. Roy W. Bonebrake	2-13-39
62-1619	International Studio Equipment Co., C. Bardwell, Comp.	3-1-39
73-328	Robert C. Baker	1-7-39
76-442	Jack Beddingfield	3-7-39
87-212	Eldridge W. Gordon, wa,; Alfred H.L. Ducommun, Victim	1-16-39

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<u>File Number</u>	<u>Title</u>	<u>Date of Assignment</u>
88-165	Elmer Sylvester Dowling, w,a,Fug.	2-13-39
88-188	Aubrey J. Spellmire	3-24-39

This Agent has twenty-five days of work at the present time. For the most part, his work is in the area of San Pedro and Long Beach, California. He is on general investigative assignment and handles all types of cases. He has twenty-five cases assigned to him at this time.

Special Agent J. H. Roche (A)

<u>File Number</u>	<u>Title</u>	<u>Date of Assignment</u>
26-4639	Emmett Maurice Steiner, etal	3-21-39
27-16	Ross M. McFadden	4-1-39
29-607	B.S.Chase; San Diego T&SA, San Diego, California.	4-7-39
29-624	A. D. Drury; Securities Trust & Savings Bank, Escondido Branch, San Diego, Calif.	4-13-39
29-625	James L. Nobel; First National Trust & Savings Bank of San Diego, La Mesa, California	4-28-39
45-141	Sam Bracco; Jakov Cudina, Victim	4-18-39
49-627	J. Wesley Brown	1-30-39
49-634	J. Edward Katz, Pres. etal; Progressive Meat Company, Ltd.,	12-24-38
49-637	Ernest A. Van Gundy	12-24-38
49-638	Donald C. Mitchell, Jr.; David C. Mitchell; Monarch Furniture Mfg.Co.	12-24-38

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<u>File Number</u>	<u>Title</u>	<u>Date of Assignment</u>
49-638	Donald C. Mitchell, Jr.; David C. Mitchell; Monarch Furniture Mfg.Co.	12-24-38
49-650	Ben Lewis, Dba, Lewis Liquor House	4-7-39
49-654	William M. Bowden, etal; Effie F.W. Davis	3-29-39
62-1183	C.C. Boler; Financial Responsibility	3-28-39
67-1008	Robert Newhouse Dahlgren	5-17-39
82-1925	Clarence E. Meyer	5-15-39
86-16	H. G. Tyson; Aaron S. Patton; R. D. Houghton; Allen S. Hardy	3-1-39

It is estimated that ROCHE will require thirty days to complete the investigations presently assigned to him, most of which are of an accounting nature. This agent has been handling accounting work in the vicinity of San Diego, California for several weeks and will complete the investigation there within one week and then return to headquarters. It may be necessary to utilize the services of this agent in connection with certain phases of the Major Oil Investigation, as the accounting work in that case is developed by Special Agent Hair. This Agent has seventeen cases assigned to him.

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Special Agent MANUEL SOROLA

<u>File Number</u>	<u>Title</u>	<u>Date of Assignment</u>
26-4573	Jack Kelley, w.a.	5-15-39
26-4695	Clark E. Clark, w.a., et al	5-15-39
29-150	Charles Herrick, w.a., fugitive; Republic National Bank and Trust Dallas, Texas.	5-15-39
31-4042	Art Cohen; Unknown Victim, alias "Eileen"	4-15-39
47-11460	George W. Parker, Jr., et al	4-7-39
49-652	Leon L. Redin	5-15-39
62-688	E. W. Boyer	11-1-38
62-1510	Morris Turek	8-2-38
62-1572	Sybil William Stronsky	3-13-39
62-1596	Friedrich Zimmer, w.a.	3-1-39
62-1614	Bruno Hagen; Alien Employment in Military Aircraft	2-18-39
62-1625	Eric Burton Challenor	3-4-39
62-1668	George F. Speechly - Information for	4-28-39
65-168	William Alexander Sangster	4-24-39
65-208	John M. Gladden	5-18-39
73-332	Willis A. Louty	4-2-39
73-335	Camden L. Wilmoth	5-13-39

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<u>File Number</u>	<u>Title</u>	<u>Date of Assignment</u>
73-336	Roy Maxon	5-13-39
73-337	Lewis Nickerson	4-11-39
75-60	Gladys L. Peterson; Dan Lickert	11-29-38
77-270	Mrs. Thelma Anice Casto	3-18-39
82-1900	James Alfred House	5-15-39
93-19	James J. Noble	8-23-38

Agent SOROLA will require 20 days to complete investigation of the 23 cases assigned to him. This Agent is engaged on civil assignments exclusively, in accordance with Bureau instructions.

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Special Agent M. L. SMALL:

<u>File Number</u>	<u>Title</u>	<u>Date of Assignment</u>
9-338	Ir. Alan Garvin; J. Harrison Edwards - Victim.	4-26-39
26-4493	William Tynell Hawkins, w.a.	5-17-39
26-4554	Stewart Carl Lepley, w.a. et al	5-5-39
26-4596	John W. Goldings, w.a.; Pat Bickford, w.a.; William Moran.	3-25-39
26-4602	Thomas Collins Scott, w.a. fugitive	2-2-39
27-17	Adolph Von Soden; Crosby Gauthier, Complainant.	5-18-39
28-133	Steede Amusement Company	5-18-39
29-546	G. J. Nolan; Bank of America NT&SA, Taft Branch, Taft, Calif.	12-12-38
29-584	G. J. V. Pirie; Bank of America NT&SA, Westlake & 7th Branch.	12-15-38
29-571	Carl William Snyder, wa. Fugitive; First Nat'l Bank of Winona, Winona, Minnesota.	5-9-39
29-610	Donald Harter, et al; Wabash Valley Trust Co., Peru, Ind.	5-15-39
29-611	Ricardo Rene Pereida, w.a. First Natl. Bank of Nogales, Nogales, Ariz.	5-15-39
29-613	Jay Catchpole; County Natl. Bank & Trust Co., Santa Barbara, Calif.	2-18-39
29-614	Zellner O. Hart (Deceased); Bank of America NT&SA, Wilshire & La Brea Branch	2-26-39

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Special Agent (A) E. L. SMALL (continued)

<u>File Number</u>	<u>Title</u>	<u>Date of Assignment</u>
29-621	Unknown Subjects; First Natl. Bank in Santa Ana, Calif.	3-30-39
29-626	Richard M. White; Bank of America NT&SA, Santa Monica Branch, Santa Monica, Calif.	5-4-39
32-157	State Narcotic Hospital, Spadra, Calif. re Fingerprinting.	5-15-39
47-1315	Thomas E. Bohannon, w.a.	5-5-39
47-1454	C. C. Griffith; N. L. Clark, compl.	5-18-39
47-1456	F. F. Perryman; F. A. Baughan, compl.	5-15-39
49-643	Adolph Waisler	12-12-38
49-667	Louis Brown; Isadore Lindenbaum, compl.	4-30-39
62-1683	Richard Florian	5-18-39

This Agent is just completing investigation in an accounting case of an extended nature. It is estimated that he has about 6 days' work on hand. There are a number of bankruptcy cases which require the services of an accountant and it is expected that this Agent will handle this work. A request for accounting work in the case entitled "FOSTER & KLEISER; ANTITRUST" has been received and since Agent FAIR, who originally had this case, is engaged otherwise, it may be necessary to have this matter handled by Agent SMALL. When the nature of the work in the KLEISER case is ascertained this week a decision will be made as to which accountant will handle it. This Agent presently has 23 cases assigned to him.

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Special Agent H. A. SMITH:

<u>File Number</u>	<u>Title</u>	<u>Date of Assignment</u>
9-334	Frank John Boyle; Southern Calif. Gas Co. - victim.	4-12-39
15-211	James Williams, Jr. et al	4-29-39
26-4415	Leo Kaller, w.a.; et al	12-6-38
28-125	Neil Freeman; Dillon & Wells	5-3-39
76-425	Dep. U. S. Marshal Paul Hendricks	9-13-38
87-186	Adrian Lawrence Dudley, w.a. fug.	3-15-39
91-9	Claude W. Loveless, w.a. fugitive Unknown Subject; Citizens Natl. Trust & Sav. Bank of Los Angeles. Wilshire & Hauser Branch (7-2-34).	3-9-38
91-15	Charles Edward Boyd - fugitive Unknown Subject; Bank of America N.A.S.A., Alhambra, Calif. Branch	11-12-38
91-56	Warren Burton Miller; Unknown Subj. Bank of America Nat'l Tr & SA, 6th & Alexandria Branch; robbed 6-4-35.	1-24-39
91-77	Arnold Thomas Kyle, WAFUG.	11-1-37
91-86	Milton David Hartman, wa. et al; Bank of America N.A.S.A., Vineyard & Washington Branch, Los Angeles.	11-1-37
91-91	Arnold Thomas Kyle, WAFUG. et al; Bank of America N.A.S.A., Melrose & Bronson Branch, Los Angeles.	10-30-37
91-93	Unknown Subjects; Security-1st Natl. Bank of L.A., Jefferson & Arlington Branch, Los Angeles.	11-1-37

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Special Agent H. A. SMITH: (continued)

<u>File Number</u>	<u>Title</u>	<u>Date of Assignment</u>
91-110	Arnold Thomas Kyle, wa. Fugitive; Joseph Paul Gretzer, wa. " ; Seaboard Natl. Bank, Los Angeles, 3143 Wilshire Blvd.	11-1-37
91-141	Unknown Subjects; Citizens Natl. Bank, 8th & Vermont, Los Angeles.	11-12-38
91-158	Arnold Thomas Kyle, wa. Fugitive; et al; First Natl. Bank, Portland, Ore., Rose City Branch (3-29-37).	11-1-37
91-174	Unknown Subject; Bank of America NT&SA, Main & Washington Branch, Los Angeles, Calif. (Robbed 9-16-37).	11-1-37
91-196	Unknown Subjects; Bank of America, NT&SA, Baldwin Ave., Arcadia, Calif.	11-12-38
91-209	Unknown Subject; Bank of Santa Fe Springs, Calif.	12-6-38
91-215	Allen Rosenberg, w.a. Fugitive; Hollywood State Bank, BHDG, 6801 Sta. Monica Blvd., Los Angeles.	4-10-39
91-234	George H. Goodman; Bank of America NT&SA, Pico & Norton Branch, L.A.	7-7-38
91-254	Charles Henry Pierce, w.a.; Bank of America NT&SA, Pico-Hoover Branch. Los Angeles, Robbed 10/5/38.	4-6-39
91-265	Unknown Subjects; First Nat'l Bank of Ottawa, Illinois.	4-17-39
91-274	Unknown Subjects; California Bank, 8th & Federal, Los Angeles.	1-6-39
91-280	Unknown Subjects; Bank of America NT&SA Pico-Hoover Branch, L.A. 1-25-39.	1-25-39

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<u>File Number</u>	<u>Title</u>	<u>Date of Assignment</u>
91-283	Charles Henry Pierce, w.a.; Bank of America NT&SA, Western-Santa Monica Branch (Robbed 2-7-39) L.A.	4-6-39
91-285	Unknown Subjects; California Bank, 57th & Central Branch (Robbed 2-8-39)	2-10-39
91-292	Unknown Subject; Citizens Natl. Trust & Savings Bank; Wilshire-Hauser Br. (Robbed 2-23-39).	2-23-39
91-301	Andrew Smith (Suspect in Unknown Bank Robbery)	3-6-39
91-302	Unknown Subject; Bank of America NT &SA, Arcadia, California Branch; (Robbed 3-14-39).	3-14-39
91-305	Unknown Subject; California Bank, 54th & Vermont Branch (Robbed 3-17-39)	3-17-39
91-307	Ed Ryane, w.a.	4-24-39
91-316	Unknown Subject; Bank of America NT&SA, Washington & Western Branch; (Robbed 4-18-39).	4-18-39
91-321	Unknown Subject; Citizens National Trust & Sav. Bank, 8th & Vermont, (Robbed 5-3-39).	5-3-39
91-322	Unknown Subjects (4); Yokohama Specie Bank Ltd. (Robbed 5-4-39)	5-4-39
91-323	Unknown Subjects; Citizens Nat'l Tr. & Sav. Bank, West Adams & Cloverdale (Robbed 5-4-39).	5-4-39

Director
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Special Agent H. A. SMITH (continued)

<u>File Number</u>	<u>Title</u>	<u>Date of Assignment</u>
91-329	Fred Fagen	5-11-39
91-330	Unknown Subject; Security 1st Natl. Bank, 69th & Western Ave., (Robbed 5-10-39).	5-10-39
91-332	Unknown Subject; Bank of America NT&SA Rippon-Washington Branch (Robbed 5-15-39).	5-15-39

Agent SMITH has been handling the Bank Robbery investigations in this office and because of the frequency of them it is physically impossible for him to carry on the investigations in all cases. It is estimated he has 90 days' work on hand and in order to reduce the delinquencies in this particular field, Agent DENCE is now assigned to it with SMITH and some of the cases now assigned to SMITH will be turned over to the other Agent as soon as it is felt he is capable of handling them. SMITH has 39 cases assigned to him at present.

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Re: Condition of Work

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Special Agent (A) J. C. SLOANE

<u>File Number</u>	<u>Title</u>	<u>Date of Assignment</u>
17-229	Earl W. Taylor; Mrs. Dorothy Hays, complainant	4-27-39
26-4541	Oliver Everitt Cleer, w.a.	4-23-39
46-103	George H. Smith, et al	5-10-39
60-126	Fox West Coast Theatres, Inc., et al	10-4-37
76-346	John Siegers, w.a. Fugitive	1-22-39
88-195	Floyd E. Well; Loyd Pruitt, Fugitive	5-11-39
94-105	Joe Shaw; William H. Cormack, et al	5-11-39

This Agent has 30 days work on hand, most of which is in connection with the Motion Picture Antitrust investigation, which is assigned to him. A few other cases are handled by him after hours, and at such other times as can be done without interfering with his major assignment. During the current week, SLOANE is engaged in the investigation of the NEWSPRINT Antitrust case, and working time for this is included in the above estimate. This Agent has 7 cases assigned to him.

Special Agent P. E. WRIGHT

<u>File Number</u>	<u>Title</u>	<u>Date of Assignment</u>
7-189	Robert F. Wright, w.a. John Dee More, victim	3-23-39
9-343	Unknown Subjects; Florence Chambers, victim	5-15-39
26-3266	Earl Smith, Fugitive	2-25-39
26-4424	Charles H. McDonald, w.a. Baldwin Cosgrove Paint Co. San Diego, California	2-25-39

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Special Agent F. E. WRIGHT (continued)

Date of Assignment

26-4553	Horace C. St. Clair, w.a.	2-25-39
26-4570	Unknown Subject; Pontiac Sedan, Mtr #6-174,772	2-25-39
26-4601	Francis Sydney Sawyer Ralph Dee Rutledge	2-25-39
26-4645	Donna Kirby	3-25-39
26-4652	Lavoe Briscoe, w.a.	4-13-39
31-3905	John Motts, Jr.	2-25-39
31-3913	Loyal C. Rader	3-28-39
31-3977	William Roy Bolch	2-25-39
31-4006	Mrs. Mary E. Hunt, Informant	2-25-39
31-4069	Everett Eugene Landreth, w.a. Helen Riddle, w.a. victim	4-14-39
32-146	Fingerprint Contributors Brawley, California	4-13-39
32-154	Bureau of Customs, San Diego, California, Fingerprint Contributors	4-15-39
47-1250	Karl Clark Strain, w.a.	2-25-39
47-1462	E. S. Stuard	3-10-39
49-661	James O. Maxwell, Trustee	4-13-39
52-576	Unknown Subjects; Theft of 3 Army Springfield Rifles from San Diego Armory	4-13-39
52-577	Unknown Subject; (Theft of .45 Colt Automatic #32,513)	4-20-39

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Special Agent F. E. WRIGHT (continued)

<u>File Number</u>	<u>Title</u>	<u>Date of Assignment</u>
60-150	D. B. Almond (Totoaba-Sonora Fish Company)	4-26-39
62-1610	Charles R. Martin; Louis S. Butler, Complainant	2-10-39
62-1626	Stanley Harold Evans	3-4-39
65-76	Arthur George Hartman, w.a.	3-21-39
65-83	"Dutch" Klein	2-24-39
65-123	Consolidated Aircraft Corporation San Diego, California (Sabotage)	4-1-39
65-144	W. A. Northington, w.a. et al	5-16-39
67-1007	Lester Orville Callaher	5-17-39
70-250	Frank Wachena	2-25-39
70-268	Travis William Edwards, w.a. et al	2-25-39
70-275	George Napier; Jack Rokov; Samuel B. Burin, et al; "California" and "Sea Ranger" Boats in restricted Naval Area	2-18-39
76-352	Donaciano Curiel, Fugitive	2-25-39
76-447	Lloyd Patterson, w.a, Fugitive	2-25-39
82-1910	Lyle Turner	3-6-39
87-198	Lester Albert Prosser, w.a.	2-25-39
87-207	Joseph Henry Harvey, w.a.	2-25-39
87-228	George La Marr, et al	4-21-39

Director
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Special Agent F. E. WRIGHT (continued)

<u>File Number</u>	<u>Title</u>	<u>Date of Assignment</u>
91-100	John Deutsch, w.a. Fugitive; Carlo Pezzopane, Jr., w.a., Fugitive; Franklin National Bank, Franklin, Ohio	2-25-39
91-142	Unknown Subject; Bank of America NTSA Fillmore and Haight Street Branch San Francisco, California.	5-17-39
91-304	Robert Perry, w.a.; Bank of America NTSA, Logan Heights Branch, San Diego, California. (Robbed 3-16-39)	3-16-39
94-60	Dr. L. F. Conti re Hair Specimens from Zoo, San Diego	2-25-39

This Agent has approximately 40 days work on hand, as 42 cases are assigned to him. He is Resident Agent at San Diego and for the past ten days has been engaged exclusively on the Consolidated Aircraft Corporation case. After completion of this assignment, it is expected that several Espionage matters will require his attention for a week or ten days before he can resume investigation in the general cases assigned to him.

The Bureau is, I am sure, aware of the number of requests for special investigations from the seat of Government, as well as from various Field Offices, and every attempt is made to give them the expeditious handling that they deserve. I regret that with reference to the cases specially mentioned by you, it was necessary to call the delinquencies to my attention, but I assure you that each case of major importance will, in the future, receive my personal attention more closely than in the past.

My fullest endeavors are being directed along these lines, and I will welcome an inspection by a Bureau official at any time you may see fit to order it.

Very truly yours,

RBH:EO

R. E. HOOD
Special Agent in Charge

LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA
May 29, 1939

Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Washington, D. C.

Re: CONSOLIDATED AIRCRAFT CORPORATION,
San Diego, California;
SABOTAGE.

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to Bureau communication of May 20, 1939 requesting an explanation from me relative to the delay in the investigation of the instant case.

In this connection, I am submitting triplicate copies of a memorandum prepared by Special Agent F. E. WRIGHT, Resident Agent at San Diego, to whom this case was assigned.

It is true that the investigation in this case was not handled in the manner as instructed by the Bureau and the Agent to whom it was assigned was dilatory in handling it. It is realized, however, that it is my responsibility as Agent in Charge to supervise investigations and, as you were personally advised during your visit here, responsibility in this particular instance, I feel, is solely my own.

You may rest assured that such delay in any investigation will not occur again in any case under my supervision and I sincerely regret that any embarrassment resulted to you and the Bureau as a result of the undue delay in conducting this particular investigation.

Very truly yours,

R. D. HOOD,
Special Agent in Charge.

RBH:NO
65-123
Encl.

AMASD

San Diego, California
May 25, 1939

MEMORANDUM FOR SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE R. B. HOOD:

Re: CONSOLIDATED AIRCRAFT CORPORATION,
San Diego, California; SABOTAGE.

Reference is made to Bureau letter dated May 20, 1939, referring to my report in instant case dated at Los Angeles, May 11, 1939, and the period of investigation reflected therein.

Reference is also made to Bureau letter dated March 27, 1939 upon which the investigation in this case is predicated. This letter is block-stamped at the Los Angeles Office "March 30, 1939". My expense voucher for March, 1939, reflects that I arrived in Los Angeles 9:00 P.M. March 30th. Within my best recollection, I believe that I was handed the serials in instant case before I left the Los Angeles Office for San Diego on April 2nd, 1939. The first day of investigative period reflected in report of reference is April 3rd, 1939.

After I had thoroughly reviewed all the serials and allegations of the IALTUS affidavit, I first went to the office of Commander E. J. ZACHARIAS, U. S. Naval Intelligence Officer, 11th Naval District; Commander ZACHARIAS was not present on that day and I conferred with his assistant, M. F. CORNWELL, generally concerning what material might be available to me in the extensive Navy files, as I knew from previous contact there that the files of that office contained much data concerning the situation presented in instant case. Therefore, my first step was to begin a review of those files and to talk with Commander ZACHARIAS and with GENERAL R. H. VAN DEMAN (mentioned below), who was believed by ZACHARIAS to have similar information.

The "Period for Which Made" in report of reference indicates that six separated days were consumed in the investigation and that only the interviews with two individuals are reflected. I wish to state at this point that the period dates in report of reference are not correct; that I did perform investigative activity in instant case on dates other than those mentioned in report of reference. During the first part of April, Commander ZACHARIAS was absent from San Diego much of the time, and when I was able to find him in his office, the interview was limited each time because of the pressure of his work.

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It was my plan to discuss with him at length each statement and allegation in instant affidavit. This procedure necessitated several interviews as Commander ZACHARIAS made a great many general comments which were later discovered not to bear directly on instant case, but which at that time I was anxious to have as a background - particularly discussions as to information I had found in his files. At the times when Commander ZACHARIAS was not available, it had been arranged for me to go through his files and study and make notes of the pertinent information therein.

The Naval Intelligence files are set up in such a manner that all related subjects are not carried in the same folders, but as the material comes in it is placed in the current file without regard to subject matter or names. Searches for specific information in the files, therefore, entails much time, as the card index system does not always refer to a particular file.

When not at the Navy Intelligence office, I made appointments to interview General H. H. VAN DEWAN, U.S.A., ret., whose work is known to the Bureau, and who is designated in report of reference as Confidential Informant "A". In interviewing General VAN DEWAN, an elderly man, on several occasions it was a matter of tact for me to permit him to often go "afield" into subversive activities in general, with which he is very familiar. The General maintains an extensive file system which was thoroughly searched for information and these interviews with him necessitated several visits to his home.

During the investigation above outlined a very large amount of notes were compiled and after a review of them I concluded that much of the material obtained was not relevant - especially that obtained from General VAN DEWAN and his files, and the same was eliminated from the report of reference by me. Therefore, the report, for the sake of continuity and coherence, does not reflect all of the actual information obtained prior to its submission.

Before rough-drafting report of reference, and during the period mentioned below, I also interviewed DONALD P. FEYE, Director of Personnel, at subject corporation, relative to sabotage in general at his plant. Verifying the information received from him depended, in part, on obtaining and reviewing certain records of subject corporation,

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which was not done immediately after interviewing FRKE on two, and possibly three, occasions. I therefore considered it more practical to not include in report of reference the interviews had with FRKE until they could be properly concluded (as they have been in the last two reports submitted). Therefore, investigative activity was engaged in which was not reflected in report of reference.

The dates upon which investigation was performed, in addition to those reflected in report of reference, according to my daily reports, are: April 5, 6, 8, 11, 12, 25 and 26. From these dates it is noted that the investigation was not continuous in so far as the investigation was not performed during every day since my receipt of the serials. In this respect, I was dilatory in not conducting a continuous investigation.

As to my omission of the above dates from the "Period" of report of reference, I have no valid excuse other than I was not careful to note on my rough-draft notes of interviews the dates upon which they took place, and at the time of rough-drafting the report I had no written record of the dates above listed.

Relative to my failure to first interview the affiant, INDOLPH FALTUS; after a more detailed perusal of his affidavit and after obtaining a background picture from ZACHARIAS, I began to see more definitely the various situations which would be presented. To the best of my judgment, I concluded that I could more intelligently interview both FALTUS and WILLIAM KOCH after obtaining information from other sources. Since submission of my last report I have interviewed both FALTUS and HARRY SIEGHEITZ. I am convinced that I was able to conduct these interviews more effectively in the light of the information I had previously obtained.

Since the submission of the first report, the investigation in this case has gone forward continuously and, I believe, vigorously; and I wish to assure you that it will continue to do so until its completion.

Respectfully submitted,

F. E. WRIGHT,
Special Agent.

May 12, 1939

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3:20 P. M.

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

Re: Douglas Aircraft Corporation
Sabotage

Consolidated Aircraft Corporation
Sabotage

While talking with SAC Hood at Los Angeles I inquired concerning the progress of these cases. He informed that a report is now being typed concerning the Douglas Aircraft case and that it will be sent out late this afternoon to the Bureau air mail special delivery.

He advised concerning the Consolidated Aircraft case that an Agent is working exclusively on it; that a report was sent to the Bureau last night; and that the investigation should be completed by the first of the week.

I informed SAC Hood that he should bear down on both the Douglas and Consolidated cases.

Respectfully,

E. A. Tamm.

Mr. Tolson
Mr. Nathan
Mr. E. A. Tamm
Mr. Clegg
Mr. Coffey
Mr. Crowl
Mr. Egan
Mr. Foxworth
Mr. Glavin
Mr. Harbo
Mr. Lester
Mr. McIntire
Mr. Nichols
Mr. Quinn Tamm
Mr. Tracy
Miss Gandy

Los Angeles must be
pressed to get thing done

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JEL:DF

May 17, 1939

PERSONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL
AIR MAIL SPECIAL DELIVERY

Mr. R. B. Hood
Federal Bureau of Investigation
U. S. Department of Justice
810 South Spring Building, Room 603
Los Angeles, California

Dear Sir:

I advised you in my letter dated May 15, 1939, that I was concerned over the delay in conducting investigations requested of the Los Angeles Office. I particularly want to point out to you the delay in conducting the investigations in connection with the Douglas Aircraft Corporation and the Consolidated Aircraft Corporation, both Sabotage cases. I also want to point out to you the investigations of the Felix Chataud, et al, Bank Robbery case, and the Arnold Thomas Kyle, et al, Bank Robbery case, both of which you have indicated were under investigation for the months of February, March and April, without any reports being submitted during this period by your office. It is noted on your Monthly Administrative Report for the month of April that a report has been dictated in connection with the Arnold Thomas Kyle case.

A review of the Monthly Administrative Reports submitted by the Los Angeles Office for the past six months reflects the following increase in the delinquencies in bank robbery cases:

Mr. Tolson.....	November	23
Mr. Nathan.....	December	22
Mr. E. A. Tamm.....	January	22
Mr. Clegg.....	February	23
Mr. Coffey.....	March	25
Mr. Crowl.....	April	25.
Mr. Egan.....		
Mr. Foxworth.....		
Mr. Glavin.....		
Mr. Harbo.....		
Mr. Lester.....		
Mr. Quinn Tamm.....		
Mr. Nichols.....		
Mr. Tracy.....		
Miss Gandy.....		

It will be noted that you were in charge of the Los Angeles Office during the last three months in which the increase in these delinquencies occurred.

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SAC Los Angeles

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It is desired that you supply me with a list of the Agents assigned to your office, indicating the title and character of the case assigned to each Agent, the date of assignment, and the amount of work yet to be done to complete these investigations.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover
Director

CT:ACS

June 1, 1939

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Mr. R. D. Hood
Federal Bureau of Investigation
U. S. Department of Justice
310 South Spring, Room 603
Los Angeles, California

Dear Dick:-

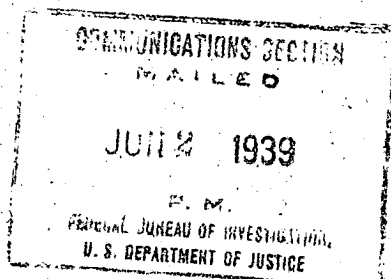
I have just returned to Washington and I wanted you to know how much I appreciate the many courtesies extended to the Attorney General, Mr. McGuire, Mr. Tolson, and me during our recent visit. The assistance which you and your associates rendered to us materially contributed to our visit and I shall personally appreciate it if you will express my sincere thanks to the representatives of your office who assisted in any matters during our stay. I certainly hope that I shall be able to return to your District at some time in the future when it will be possible to remain for a longer time.

With kind personal regards,

Sincerely,

J. Edgar Hoover

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C O P Y (gmr)

January 21, 1939

HRG:BT

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

I called a conference of Inspectors Connolly and Gurnea in order that there might be rated for the Director's information and for the records of the Bureau an opinion as to the relative merits of the individual Special Agents in Charge and Special Agents who were trained in the three Kidnap School Schools in the performance of special types of work in the organization of a Kidnap Squad.

It is observed that Mr. Connolly and Mr. Gurnea were not in agreement in every instance. Therefore, I felt it would be preferable to list the individual ratings of each of those who were trained for specialized duties. The reason for doing this is that the Bureau may desire, if Connolly is in charge of a special squad, to send those in whom he has greatest confidence, while if Gurnea is in charge of a squad, the Bureau might desire to send to him those concerning whom he has expressed the greatest confidence.

AS SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE OF A KIDNAP SQUAD:

(or as Inspector in Charge but not including Connolly and Gurnea)

Relative standing rated by
MR. CONNOLLY:

Brantley
Ladd

Relative standing rated by
MR. GURNEA:

Brantley
Ladd

AS ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER:

(or as the number one man in charge of Kidnap Squad)

Gurnea
McKee
Kitchin
Hood
Tamm
Peterson

Gurnea
Hood
Kitchin
McKee
Tamm
Peterson

Respectfully,

H. H. Clegg

C O P Y (gmr)

JEM:CBS

June 18, 1939

Time 5:50 PM

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. TOLSON

I telephoned Inspector Connelley at Seattle relative to the conditions of the Los Angeles and the San Francisco Field Divisions. I stated that it was my impression from my last visit to these two offices that they were not as good as should be expected; that it may be due to a shortage of personnel or to the handling of personnel or to some other reason. I stated that in Los Angeles it appeared that SAC Hood was not organizing the work properly and there was a lot of delinquent work that might be straightened out with an inspection by an experienced man.

I stated that in San Francisco it appeared that there was not as much serious application to the work as there should be.

In answer to my inquiry Mr. Connelley stated that he had his work in such condition that he would be able to leave and make the inspections.

I stated that SAC Pieper appears to be doing a good job but possibly he lacks a sufficient number of mature agents; that if the inspection bears this out it will be necessary to transfer some of the younger men and replace them with mature agents. I stated that Los Angeles has a good staff of men and SAC Hood works very hard but the size and magnitude of the office may worry him and an inspection may point out to him how to make a few short cuts.

I instructed Mr. Connelley to have this investigation completed as soon as possible since I expected to be on the West Coast sometime in the middle of July.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover
Director

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INSPECTION REPORT - LOS ANGELES OFFICE

Inspection conducted by E. J. Connelley during July 1939.

For complete report see 67-153-1-9

R. B. Hood

PHYSICAL EXAM.

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DATE
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DATE
BY
INITIALS
SIGNATURE



NAME

Wash, R. L.

RATE

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LABORATORY EXAMINATION

N.M.S. Form 16.

U. S. NAVAL MEDICAL SCHOOL

WASHINGTON, D. C.

DATE

7/24/39

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Request of

Dr. Kay

Address

ZBL Room.

Request for KAHN and

WASSERMANN TESTS.

REPORT

KAHN

WASSERMANN

Qualitative

Quantitative
UnitsCholesterolized
Antigen

NEGATIVE

NEGATIVE

Blood type "O"

F.W. Farrar
F.W. FARRAR.

Lieut. (MC) USN.

(MC), U.S.N.

NAME HOOD, R.B.

N.M.S. Form 6.

LABORATORY EXAMINATION

RATE FBI

U. S. NAVAL MEDICAL SCHOOL,

Naval Medical Center,

Washington, D. C.

DATE 7-20-39

Request of

Dr. Ray.

Address:

School.

Diagnosis

Character of examination desired

R & M

Amount 24 hours.....Submitted.....100.....

Appearance.....Amber.....

Reaction.....Acid.....Sp. Gr. 1.014

Albumin.....Negative.....

Sugar.....Negative.....

Occult Blood.....Negative.....

Special.....

Casts.....

Cylindroids.....

Mucus.....Few shreds.....

Leucocytes.....Rare.....

Erythrocytes.....

Epithelium.....Rare squamous.....

Crystals.....

Commander

(MC), U.S.N.

RECORD OF PHYSICAL EXAMINATION OF OFFICERS AND SPECIAL AGENTS OF THE
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION, U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

Washington DC. 7-20-39 19__
Place

HISTORY

Name Richard B. Hood Age 30 years, 11 months
Nativity (state) Iowa Married, Single, Widowed Married Number of Children None

Diseases, operations, or injuries previous to age of 15 (Give date and full description of each and examine carefully for evidence of sequelae.)

Pneumonia; measles,
Streptococcus of throat; measles; chickenpox

Diseases, operations, or injuries subsequent to age 15 (Give date and full description of each and examine carefully for evidence of sequelae.)

Tonsils removed 1928

Father (Living? Yes State of Health Good
(Dead? _____ Cause & age at death? _____)

Mother (Living? Yes State of Health Good
(Dead? _____ Cause & age at death? _____)

Brothers (Number living 1 State of Health Good
(Number dead 0 Cause & age at death? _____)

Sisters (Number living _____ State of Health _____
(Number dead _____ Cause & age at death? _____)

Has any member of family suffered from neurasthenia or insanity or been confined in any institution for the insane? Give relationship and full history of case.

No
Has any blood relative been an inmate of a penal institution or poorhouse? Give relationship and state reasons.

Habits: Tobacco? No Alcoholics? only occasional Drugs? No

PHYSICAL EXAMINATION

Eyes: Color? Blue Exophthalmos? no

Chronic inflammation? no Other abnormality? none

Eyelids: Ptosis? no Condition of conjunctiva on eversion? no

Other eye conditions? none

Vision: (Note: Each eye must be tested separately.)

Does candidate wear glasses? yes For what purpose? distance

Distant: Uncorrected vision of right eye? 20/60 Left eye? 20/200

Corrected vision of right eye? 20/20 Left eye? 20/20

Near: Uncorrected vision of right eye? 20 Left eye? 20

Corrected vision of right eye? 20 Left eye? 20

Remarks: Myopia

Color sense: Normal

(Standard color plate test required)

Ears: Abnormalities? no Evidence of mastoid or other disease? no

Condition of drums? Right no Left no

Hearing: (Note: When testing hearing, the eyes and the opposite ear must be closed.)

Distance conversational speech can be heard:

Right ear 15/15 feet. Left ear 15/15 feet.

Distance whispered speech (Using residual air) can be heard:

Right ear 1 feet. Left ear 1 feet.

(Note: Use tuning fork tests, Rinne, Weber & Schwabach, if indicated.)

Right ear 1 Left ear 1

Nose: Deflection of septum To left Polypi? no

Chronic nasal disease? no Is candidate a mouth breather? no

Palate: Cleft or perforated? no Other conditions? none

Fauces: Condition of tonsils? Recurrent Pharynx? no

O. J. Romm

Signature of Examining Specialist.

Height? 5 feet, 9 inches. Weight, stripped? 174 Pounds.

General appearance:	(Robust? ☒)	Complexion:	(White? ☒)
	(Puny?)		(Colored?)
	(Plethoric?)		(Blonde? ☒)
	(Anaemic?)		(Brunette?)
	(Corpulent?)		(Florid?)
	(Emaciated?)		(Sallow?)

Skin: Diseases? None

Hair: Color: Light Brown Thickness Fair

Glands: Enlargement: - Other abnormalities -

Head, Depressions? - Asymmetries? -

Facial disfigurement? - Facial asymmetry? -

Abnormalities of speech? -

Neck: Goitre? - Other conditions? -

Chest: Inspiration 39 inches. Expiration 36 inches. Respiratory rate? -

Inspection: -

Lungs: Palpation: -

Percussion: -

Auscultation: -

X-ray examination: -

Heart: Palpation: -

Percussion: -

Auscultation: -

Exercise Test: Step upon chair 25 times in 30 seconds. Pulse rate should return to normal after two minutes.

Pulse rate: Sitting 92 After exercise 104

Condition of heart after exercise: n

Blood pressure, Systolic? 124 Distolic? 76 Pulse pressure 48

Abdomen:

Circumference at umbilicus? ~~78.4~~ 33 Tenderness? ✓

Other abnormalities? —

Liver, percussion? — Palpation? —

Spleen, percussion? — Palpation? —

Inguinal rings? — Hernia? —

Scrotum:

Varicocele? — Hydrocele? — Sarcocoele —

Testicles:

Induration? — Atrophy? —

Other conditions? —

Penis:

Epispadias? — Hypospadias? —

Condition of prepuce? — Venereal diseases? —

Anus:

Hemorrhoids? — Fistulae? —

Prolapse of bowel? — Other conditions —

Spine:

Tenderness? — Curvature? —

Reflexes:

Pupillary: — Cremasteric: —

Patellar: — Babinski: — Ankleclonus: —

Upper Extremity:

Missing fingers? — Contractures of hand? —

Condition of joints? — Other conditions? —

Lower Extremity:

Flat foot? yes. Moderate deformity Bowed legs? —

Knock-knees? — Varicose Veins? —

Hammer toes? Bunions?

Other abnormalities?

Agility:

Co-ordination of muscular movements? Romberg?

Defects of gait?

Mental Condition?

(Note: If indicated refer to specialist)

Temperature? 98.4°

Has this person been successfully vaccinated within 5 years? Yes - 1936 I.R.

Has this person had prophylactic typhoid inoculation? Yes Date last taken 1936

Urine: Color? See Sp. Gr.? Albumin? Sugar?

Reaction? Attached Shreds? Blood cells?

Pus cells? Reports. Casts? Epitheleal cells?

Blood: Red corpuscles per C.mm. White corpuscles per C.mm.

Differential count

Blood serologic tests (syphilis): Haemoglobin per cent:

Has candidate any of the following defects, viz: Cachexia, or apparent predisposition to any constitutional diseases, permanent defects of either of the extremities or articulations, including defects of gait, flat foot, badly bowed legs, knock-knees, unnatural curvature of the spine, impaired vision, color-blindness, chronic diseases of the visual organs, epilepsy, insanity, chronic diseases of the ears, deafness, chronic nasal disease, polypi, chronic ulcers or cicatrices of old ulcers likely to break out afresh, chronic cardiac pulmonary or renal affections, insufficient chest expansion, hernia, sarcocele, hydrocele, varicocele (unless slight), fistula in ano, hemorrhoids, varicose veins on lower limbs (unless slight) stature less than 5 feet 4 inches, or more than 6 feet 2 inches, or any marked abnormality of speech or facial disfigurement?

Report of any special examination:

DENTAL EXAMINATION OF _____

GENERAL ORAL CONDITION

MUCOUS MEMBRANE

☒	Normal
☐	Inflamed
☐	Swollen
☐	Ulcerated
☐	Septic

SALIVA

☒	Normal
☐	Excessive
☐	Acidity
☐	Thick or ropy
☐	Odor

OCCLUSION

☒	Normal
☐	Class I
☐	Class II
☐	Class III

TONGUE

☒	Coating
☐	Cryptic
☐	Ulcerated
☐	Enlarged

Glands _____

Sinus _____

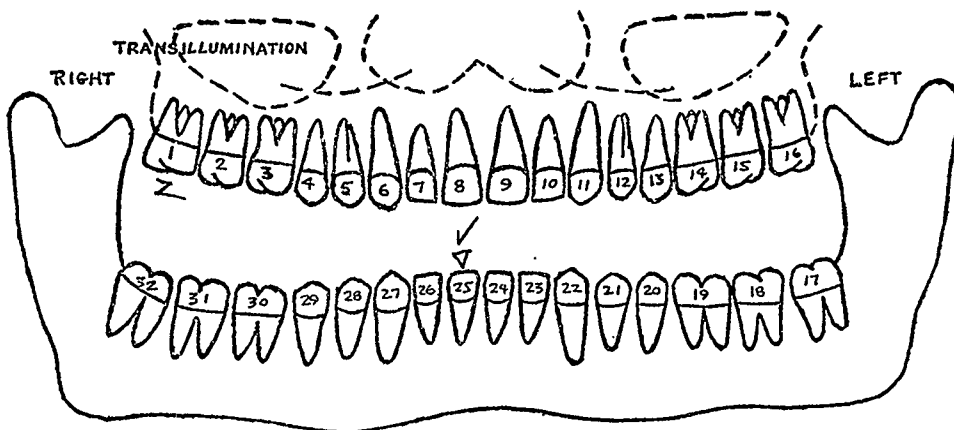
Throat _____

ARCH

☐	Square
☒	Tapering
☐	Ovoid

DENTAL DIAGNOSIS

- A. Labial
- B. Lingual
- C. Incisal
- D. Occlusal
- E. Buccal
- G. Mesial
- H. Distal
- K. Mesio-labial
- L. Disto-labial
- M. Mesio-lingual
- N. Disto-lingual
- O. Mesio-incisal
- P. Disto-incisal
- R. Mesio-occlusal
- S. Disto-occlusal
- T. Bucco-occlusal
- U. Lingual-occlusal
- V. Mesio-disto-occlusal
- W. Bucco-lingual-occlusal



☒ Roots
 ☐ Abscess
 ☐ Impacted
 ☐ Crown
 ☐ Devitalized
 ☐ Dummy bridge
 ☐ On Centre
 ☐ Missing
 ☒ Extraction Indicated

X-ray No. _____ X-ray reading _____

Gingival disease (indicate nature and extent) _____

Conditions of appliances replacing teeth _____

Remarks: _____

In case a dentist is not available to make the dental examination, the medical examiner shall record missing teeth, prosthetic replacements, and give a general estimate of oral condition.

Date July 20, 1939 (Signature) Carl G. Achlach
Dental Surgeon

Summary of Findings

(Summarize here all defects found.)

1. Myopia R $\frac{20}{60}$ L $\frac{20}{200}$
2. MR. Beckman flar-jaw.
3. _____
4. _____
5. _____

Recommendations:

1. Is this man capable of strenuous ☒ moderate _____ light _____
or very light _____ physical exertion. (Indicate which).
2. Has this man any defect which would interfere with his participation
in raids or other work connected with the detection and apprehension
of criminals which might entail the practical use of firearms?
(Indicate YES or NO) yes.

Remarks:

✓ Does not meet Service requirements.

Robert E. Duncan
Quam Brown
Kenneth E. Ray

Administrative action by Federal Bureau of Investigation.

DIRECTOR

101:1

July 28, 1939

~~PERSONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL~~

Mr. Richard B. Hood
Federal Bureau of Investigation
United States Department of Justice
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Hood:

The Bureau is in receipt of the report of the physical examination afforded you at the United States Naval Hospital, Washington, D. C., on July 20, 1939.

This report reflects the following physical defects:

Uncorrected vision of right eye 20/60 -
left eye 20/200 - corrected to 20/20 in
each eye which is normal

Moderate bilateral flat foot

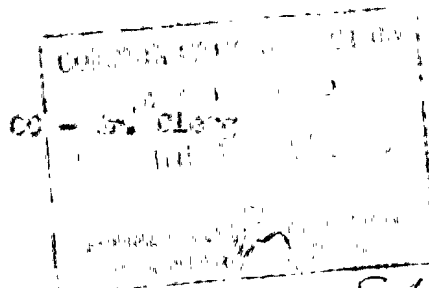
The Board of Examining Physicians states that you are capable of performing strenuous physical exertion and have no defects which would interfere with your participation in raids or other work involving the practical use of firearms.

For your information, it was determined during this examination that your blood is International Type "O".

Sincerely yours,

John Edgar Hoover
Director

Mr. Tolson
Mr. E. A. Tamm
Mr. Clegg
Mr. Coffey
Mr. Glavin
Mr. Ladd
Mr. Nichols
Mr. Rosen
Mr. Tracy
Mr. Carson
Mr. Hendon
Mr. Lester
Mr. Quinn
Mr. Nease
Mr. Gandy



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HHC:BG

September 12, 1939

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Mr. R. B. Hood
Federal Bureau of Investigation
U. S. Department of Justice
810 South Spring, Room 603
Los Angeles, California

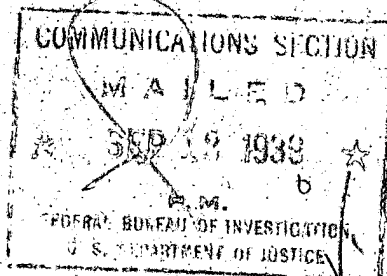
Dear Mr. Hood:

The following are the grades recorded for you while
you were recently in attendance at the SAC Conference:

Hip Shooting	Good
Practical Pistol Course	94
Automobile Course - Pistol	67
Automobile Course - Machine Gun	33
Shotgun	100
.30'06	82
.351	98
Machine Gun	100
Gas	Received Training
Night	95
Magnum	Received Training
Notebook	Good

Very truly yours
For the Director

Harold Nathan
Assistant Director



67-35038-164

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September 7, 1939

Special Agent in Charge
Los Angeles, California

Dear Sir:

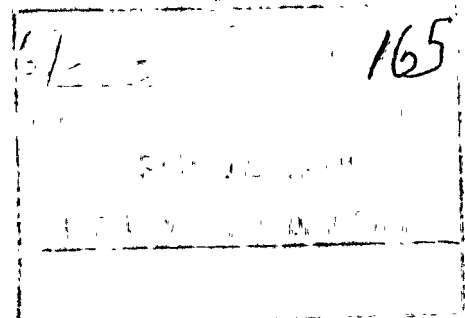
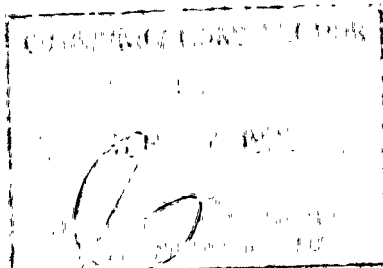
Reference is made to Bureau letter of July 20,
1939, concerning the Agents' Insurance Fund.

You are advised that the Bureau records reflect
that no replies have been received from you and Special
Agent C. Lewis Nichols who is assigned to your office. It
is requested that replies be made to the above mentioned
letter as soon as possible. There are enclosed additional
copies of that letter for use in the event the originals
have been lost.

Very truly yours,
For the Director

Harold Nathan
Assistant Director

Enclosures



JOHN EDGAR HOOVER
DIRECTOR

**Federal Bureau of Investigation
United States Department of Justice
Washington, D. C.**

HHC : BG

September 9, 1939

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

Re: SAC R. B. Hood

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Hip Shooting	Good
Practical Pistol Course	94
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Night	95
Magnum	Received Training
Notebook	Good

I believe this employee is entitled to a rating of good and above average among the Special Agents in Charge. I consider him above average in personal qualities and attitudes, with a slight modification in that he evidences some lack of warmth in personality. He rated generally from average to higher in skills and is above average in mental qualifications. As an investigator, as a salesman and as an administrator, I would rate him in a status of good.

(Respectfully,

SEE ~~H. H. Clegg~~

67-35038-166

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Mr. C. A. H.

100-1001

September 23, 1939

Special Agent in Charge

Los Angeles, California

Re: Photographic Training.

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to the photographs exposed by the Agents listed below in connection with training in the use of the camera noted below, which you recently submitted.

The grade obtained by each Agent is noted opposite his name.

Special Agents

H. F. Hunt, SAs - Above average	M. H. Bryant - Below average
R. H. Crawford - Below average	P. A. Wright - Below average
R. A. Smith - Average	G. Louis Nichols - Average
J. P. Payne - Above average	A. E. Miller - Below average
M. L. Small - Average	V. L. Perry - Average
E. P. Blair - Average	O. T. Martin - Average
M. G. Gault - Average	J. C. Gilmore - Above average
A. D. Horn - Above average	L. C. Sindler - Average
D. W. Moore - Average	E. C. Fitch - Average
W. E. Jones - Average	

It is requested that you relay the photographs and grade obtained by any Agent listed above who may be assigned to another Field Division.

The developed negatives together with prints from the same and the camera training forms which you submitted on which have been noted appropriate comments are being transmitted under separate cover.

Very truly yours,

J. E. Hoover

John Edgar Hoover
Director

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
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U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

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September 22, 1939

~~PERSONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL~~

Mr. R. B. Hood
Federal Bureau of Investigation
U. S. Department of Justice
610 South Spring, Room 603
Los Angeles, California

Dear Mr. Hood:

Inspector Connelley has called to my attention the fact that you have been performing an excessive amount of overtime in connection with your duties as Special Agent in Charge of the Los Angeles Division.

The fact that you have voluntarily given so much of your time to your official duties is, of course, deeply gratifying to me personally because I feel it is a real indication of interest and loyalty. However, I am concerned from the standpoint of your health for I know that too strenuous application over a period of time does tend to weaken one's resistance. Also, I know from personal experience that it is more difficult to maintain alertness and vigor when one is physically exhausted.

Now that Special Agent Vol G. Zimmer has been assigned to the duties of Assistant Special Agent in Charge of your office I am hoping the necessity for so much overtime on your part will be relieved. It is suggested that as occasions arise making it desirable, in the absence of Mr. Zimmer, you may wish to give experience to Special Agent R. E. Ross with the idea of developing him into an Agent qualified to handle Number One Man duties.

Sincerely yours,

John Edgar Hoover
Director

JOHN EDGAR HOOVER
DIRECTOR

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Federal Bureau of Investigation
United States Department of Justice
Washington, D. C.

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September 22, 1939

PERSONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL.

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U. S. Department of Justice
810 South Spring, Room 603
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Now that Special Agent Val C. Zimmer has been assigned to the duties of Assistant Special Agent in Charge of your office I am hoping the necessity for so much overtime on your part will be relieved. It is suggested that as occasions arise making it desirable, in the absence of Mr. Zimmer, you may wish to give experience to Special Agent H. K. Mose with the idea of developing him into an Agent qualified to handle Number One Man duties.

Sincerely yours,

John Edgar Hoover
Director

WRG:FLA

October 26, 1939

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Mr. R. B. Hood
Care Mr. W. C. Hood
61 Nassau Street
Uniontown, Pennsylvania

Dear Dick:

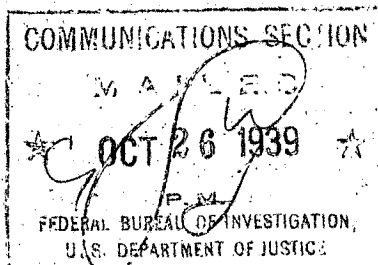
I have learned from Mr. Glavin
that you have gone to your home due to the
serious illness of your Father.

I was indeed distressed to hear
of his condition and I want you to feel
perfectly free to remain at home as long
as you believe you are needed. It is my
hope that he may be feeling much better
in the very near future.

Sincerely,

J. Edgar Hoover

67-35038-167



LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA
October 23, 1939

Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

As you have previously been advised, it is my intention to leave Los Angeles on October 28, 1939 at 5:00 P.M. via T.W.A. Airlines to attend the In-Service Training School at Washington, D. C. beginning October 30th.

In view of the fact that my father is presently confined to a hospital in Uniontown, Pennsylvania, with a serious illness it is my desire to spend a few hours with him on Sunday, October 29, 1939, and, accordingly, I shall stop off at Pittsburgh at that time, taking a later plane to arrive in Washington on the evening of October 29th.

Unless advised to the contrary by the Bureau, I shall follow the schedule outlined and may be reached on October 29, 1939 through the Pittsburgh, Pa. office.

Very truly yours,

R. B. HOOD,
Special Agent in Charge.

RBH:MO

OCT 31 1939

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

HHC:BT

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

IN-SERVICE TRAINING SCHOOL RECORD

FOR SAC R. B. HOOD

Date November 3, 1939

School beginning: 7-17-39
10-30-39

School ending: 7-29-39
11-2-39

This is to record the fact that the above-named employee has attended an in-service course during which time he was afforded instruction in the following:

Espionage Investigations; Counter-espionage and Sabotage; Subversive Movements; Aliens in Aircraft and Munition Production; Registration Act Investigations; Sabotage Investigations; Neutrality Act Investigations; Chemistry Problems in Neutrality, Espionage and Sabotage Investigations; Document Identification; Electrical Equipment and Sound Recording; Methods of Concealing Messages; Secret Codes and Secret Writings; Detection of Secret Inks; Photographic Aspects of Espionage Work; Technical Equipment Usages in Espionage Work; Explosives; Ballistics; Photo-Copying; Practical Work in the Gymnasium; Arrests; Restraining Devices; Searches of Persons; and Searches of Places.

This employee likewise received training in Plant Protection work on the following subjects:

Bureau Policy in Plant Protection; Introduction to Plant Protection; Forms of Sabotage and Espionage in Industrial Plants; Plant Survey; Plant Personnel; Observations on Plant Protection; Plant Protective Devices; Combustibles, Acids and Abrasives, Explosives, Arson; Plant Police Systems; Discussion of Practical Problems in Plant Protection; Purpose and Extent of Plant Guard Training; Espionage Outline for Plant Guard Training; Sabotage Outline for Plant Guard Training; Outline for Discussion of Subversive Activities with Plant Guards; Outlines for Searches of Persons and Places for Discussion with Plant Guards; Outlines for Discussion of Elementary Fingerprinting, Latents and Personal Descriptions with Plant Guards; Outline for Discussion of Crime Scene Searches with Plant Guards; Outlines for Discussion of Bombs and Explosives with Plant Guards.

Respectfully,

H. H. Clegg

Mr. Tolson	.....
Mr. E. A. Tamm	.....
Mr. Clegg	.....
Mr. Glavin	.....
Mr. Ladd	.....
Mr. Coffey	.....
Mr. Egan	.....
Mr. Gurnea	.....
Mr. Harbo	.....
Mr. Lester	.....
Mr. Hendon	.....
Mr. MacIntyre	.....
Mr. Nichols	
Mr. Rosen	
Mr. Quinn Tamm	
Mr. Nease	
Miss Gandy	

JOHN EDGAR HOOVER
DIRECTOR

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**Federal Bureau of Investigation
United States Department of Justice
Washington, D. C.**

EAT:LCJ

November 22, 1939

11:40 A.M.

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

While speaking to SAC Hood at Los Angeles regarding other matters, I advised him that Captain Zacharias of O.N.I. has been very critical of Mr. Hood's handling of a matter evidently involving a Naval Reserve Officer by the name of Tennyson.

Mr. Hood stated that he submitted a letter to the Bureau on this matter about November 16. When asked about the facts of the matter, Mr. Hood stated that the informant, Young, had been working for Tennyson, and had also been working for Leon Lewis, a Jewish attorney in Los Angeles; that when Young started to work for the Bureau, Captain Zacharias and Mr. Hood agreed that Young should not work for anyone else while working for the Bureau. He stated that Captain Zacharias made arrangements with Lewis whereby Young would not report to him in connection with this matter any further, but that it appeared that Young was still giving information to Tennyson. Mr. Hood stated that he saw Captain Zacharias about this, and that the Captain agreed that Young should furnish no more information to Tennyson. He stated that Tennyson is merely a Reserve Officer and has no commission in the Intelligence Division; that he is merely a public-spirited citizen who is a member of the American Legion and is interested in subversive activities.

I advised Mr. Hood that I saw a copy of a letter that Captain Zacharias wrote to Mr. Hood on the 16th or 17th, in which the Captain spoke very sarcastically of Mr. Hood's handling of the matter.

Mr. Hood stated that he has not had the slightest conflict with Captain Zacharias about this matter. He stated that Agent McKee spoke to the Captain about this matter, and that there is no question that the information has to be given to the Bureau alone.

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Respectfully,

E. A. TAMM

August 12, 1939

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

For such value and interest as it may serve, I submit herewith my views as to the relative standing and status of the various Special Agents in Charge of the Bureau's field offices. In fairness, it should be borne in mind that during the past year I have had occasion to gain very little knowledge concerning any of the investigative efforts of this group of Special Agents in Charge. However, I was able to observe all of them except Special Agent in Charge Gus Jones during the Special Agents in Charge Conference and have also been able to observe something of their ability as salesmen and administrators, in connection with training work.

My estimate of the ability of the Special Agents in Charge and relative standing with the status as indicated is as follows:

Good

D. Brantley
J. W. Vincent
|| R. B. Hood ||

Average

E. E. Conroy
W. S. Devereaux

Respectfully,

H. H. Clegg.

GT:ACS

11-4-39

RE: CONDITION OF WORK IN LOS ANGELES DIVISION

I talked to Mr. Hood on November 2nd with particular reference to the reduced statistics in the Los Angeles Division. He is low in practically every item. I told him that the Bureau could not tolerate this situation; that he has more men than in previous years and it would be absolutely necessary for him to indicate a decided improvement in the record of his field office.

Respectfully

Clyde Tolson

Mr. Tolson _____
Mr. Nathan _____
Mr. E. A. Tamm _____
Mr. Clegg _____
Mr. Ladd _____
Mr. Coffey _____
Mr. Egan _____
Mr. Glavin _____
Mr. Crowl _____
Mr. Harbo _____
Mr. Lester _____
Mr. Hendon _____
Mr. Nichols _____
Mr. Rosen _____
Mr. Sears _____
Mr. Quinn Tamm _____
Mr. Tracy _____
Miss Gandy _____

JOHN EDGAR HOOVER
DIRECTOR

Federal Bureau of Investigation
United States Department of Justice
Washington, D. C.

November 18, 1939

EAT:LCJ

1:37 P.M.

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

Tell Hood as. RE: WILLIAM C. BRADFORD;
SUBVERSIVE ACTIVITIES

While in telephonic communication with SAC Hood at Los Angeles I advised him that Captain Zacharias had written a personal letter to a friend of his in the Navy Department in which he was rather critical of the attitude taken by Mr. Hood toward Doctor Dinsley, saying that Mr. Hood had promised to see Dinsley but had not done so and had taken no action and was inclined to belittle the information furnished by Dinsley.

Mr. Hood advised that, as he has told Captain Zacharias, he does not think much of Doctor Dinsley, although he is checking on the Doctor's information. As a matter of background, Mr. Hood stated that Dinsley became quite prominent in the newspapers at the time the King and Queen were in the United States, through furnishing information concerning Sean Russel. Some time after that Dinsley approached Doctor Coggins, a Navy physician who is working in the Intelligence Section under Captain Zacharias, at which time Dinsley got into a technical discussion with Doctor Coggins on explosives and similar matters and impressed the Doctor with his capabilities along that line. Dinsley told Doctor Coggins a long story about his connections with Bradford, whom he knew to be a Nazi agent, which story Coggins believed. Mr. Hood stated that Captain Zacharias at one time was convinced, apparently, that Dinsley's information was of little value, but that Doctor Coggins has talked to the Captain and now has him believing that Dinsley is reliable.

Mr. Hood stated that he was unable to contact Dinsley at the time he was requested to do so by Captain Zacharias, but that he did talk to him as soon as possible; that he is also checking on Bradford to determine the truth of Dinsley's information. He stated that Dinsley professes to be a former member of the British intelligence service; that this may be possible, as there apparently was a man by the name of Dinsley in that service at one time. He stated, however, that if Dinsley was in the service, he undoubtedly would have been removed when his identity was disclosed in the newspapers about a month ago.

I am not pleased with manner in which Hood handled this. It is dangerous to have preconceived notions & we also must work with C.M.J.

Letter Hood
11-22-39
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MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

November 18, 1939

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Mr. Hood stated that Captain Zacharias still believes that Dinsley is with the British intelligence service and that through him it will be possible to learn much about the British intelligence movement in this country.

Mr. Hood stated that his office is checking on the information furnished by Dinsley, rather than checking on the man himself. He stated, however, that it is his impression that it would be better to confine the investigation to Dinsley in order to prove that he is unreliable, but that to please Captain Zacharias he is going ahead with the present investigation.

Respectfully,



E. A. TAMM

EAT:DM

AIR MAIL
SPECIAL DELIVERY

November 22, 1939

Mr. E. B. Hood
Federal Bureau of Investigation
U. S. Department of Justice
810 South Spring Building, Room 603
Los Angeles, California

Dear Sir:

I have been advised of Mr. Tamm's conversation with you on November 12, 1939, concerning the dissatisfaction of Captain Zacharias of Naval Intelligence with the manner in which you have handled relations with Mr. Dineley and information furnished by him to Naval Intelligence. From the information which you furnished to the Bureau in this telephonic conversation, it appears that you have approached the informant furnished by Naval Intelligence with a preconceived idea as to the value of the information and that consequently this attitude has been reflected in the investigation which you have conducted. It is, of course, elementary in the handling of criminal investigative work that no preconceived ideas or notions as to the potential value of information can be formed until this information has actually been subject to the most careful check.

In this particular situation I am concerned at the apparent friction which has developed between you and Captain Zacharias because of my often repeated desire to work in the closest harmony and cooperation with all representatives of Naval Intelligence. I feel that your office covers one of the key districts in the United States in so far as General Intelligence work is concerned and obviously your dealings and relationships with Naval Intelligence must be upon the most cooperative and understanding basis at all times.

I am bringing this situation to your attention in order that you will fully understand not only my displeasure at the manner in which you have handled this particular matter but also will carry out my emphatic instructions that the closest cooperation and coordination exist at all times between representatives of Naval Intelligence and the FBI.

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

Very truly yours,

J. Edgar Hoover
John Edgar Hoover
Director

Mr. Tolson.....
Mr. Nathan.....
Mr. E. A. Tamm.....
Mr. Clegg.....
Mr. Ladd.....
Mr. Coffey.....
Mr. Egan.....
Mr. Glavin.....
Mr. Harbo.....
Mr. Lester.....
Mr. Hendon.....
Mr. Pennington.....
Mr. Quinn Tamm.....
Mr. Tracy.....
Miss Gandy.....

Inspection Report
Los Angeles Office
Inspector Connelley
August 17, 1939

SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE

September 24, 1934

SALARY

\$5,400.00

OFFICE OF PREFERENCE

None

EXAMINATIONS

Manual of Rules and Regulations

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Manual of Instructions

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INSPECTOR CONNELLEY:

SAC Hood I believe to be an excellent employee as a Special Agent and would give a very satisfactory account of himself in the investigation of any matter. I believe him to be a good SAC of better than average ability. He was inclined to be somewhat weak in his commands on the firing line and he has been instructed as to this. He accepts instruction in all matters willingly and intelligently and tries to improve the situation called to his attention. He is a good instructor as to the general matters in the office. He gives close attention to the various Agents and the cases they are handling. It is noted he participates in and directs the various raids and similar activities in the office.

STATUS AS A SPECIAL AGENT: EXCELLENT

STATUS AS AN SAC: GOOD

Inspection Report
Los Angeles Office
Inspector Connelley
August 17, 1939

JOHN EDGAR HOOVER
DIRECTOR

**Federal Bureau of Investigation
United States Department of Justice
Washington, D. C.**

|| R. B. Hood || SAC, during
Inspection of Mr. Earl J.
Connelley during the period
July 5, 1939 to July 14, 1939
and Aug 17, 1939 to Sept 12, 1939

See 67-153-1-11

CT:ACS

December 18, 1939

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. CLEGG

R. E. HOOD

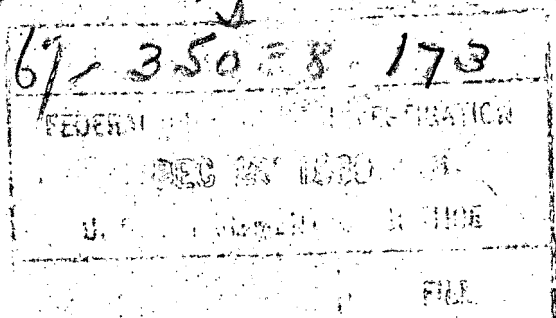
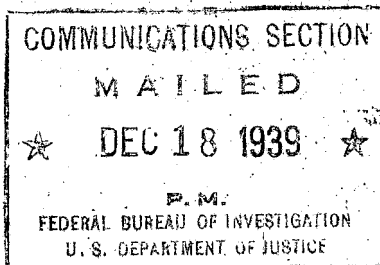
I would like to have you review the administrative report of the Los Angeles Division with a view to determining whether cases opened in the Los Angeles Division by Mr. Hood are legitimate investigative matters which should be opened and listed as cases in the monthly administrative report. I note a tremendous volume of work reported from the Los Angeles Division and I have in mind that some months ago when you were in New Orleans following Mr. Hood's departure from that Division as Special Agent in Charge, you noted many instances wherein cases had been improperly opened by Mr. Hood.

I believe a detailed letter was forwarded to Mr. Hood after his arrival at Los Angeles concerning this situation. If necessary in connection with your review of the administrative report for the month of November you should telephone Mr. Hood for the purpose of briefly reviewing with him the policies which he is following in this connection.

Very truly yours

John Edgar Hoover
Director

Mr. Tolson _____
Mr. Nathan _____
Mr. E. A. Tamm _____
Mr. Clegg _____
Mr. Ladd _____
Mr. Coffey _____
Mr. Egan _____
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Mr. Rosen _____
Mr. Sears _____
Mr. Quinn Tamm _____
Mr. Tracy _____
Miss Gandy _____



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HHC:VCR

December 15, 1939

~~PERSONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL~~

Mr. A. B. Hood
Federal Bureau of Investigation
U. S. Department of Justice
810 South Spring Street, Room 603
Los Angeles, California

Dear Mr. Hood:

There are enclosed herewith two copies of the summary of the delinquencies observed during the course of an inspection of the Los Angeles Office by Inspector E. J. Connelley. It is desired that each of the matters referred to in this summary which are in need of correction be given your personal attention and supervision, with the view to bringing about a prompt correction, and that you advise the Bureau relative to the action taken by you in these matters.

It is observed that the Inspector recommended that one of the clerical employees assigned to your office aid, whenever necessary, to help keep up to date the work in the file room. This, he believed, would not make necessary the employment of additional assistance, but you could assign a clerical employee to aid in this type of work when the circumstances warrant.

The Inspector recommended that Agents of greater experience be assigned to the investigation of bank robbery cases, and he recommended that Special Agent W. E. Dence be eliminated from this exclusive assignment, which, it is observed, has been done.

The Bureau is particularly desirous that you give your personal, close supervision especially to Espionage, Bank Robbery and Antitrust cases, so as to see that they are handled both promptly and logically, with the view to effecting the best possible results in such cases. This is referred to because of the comments of the Inspector that there are a large number of each of these types of cases pending in your office.

The Inspector recommends that you effect a zoning of the metropolitan area of Los Angeles, in order to divide the assignments of this area in such a way as to facilitate the handling of the leads in the most logical manner possible.

Mr. Tolson	.....
Mr. Nathan	.....
Mr. E. A. Tamm	.....
Mr. Clegg	.....
Mr. Ladd	.....
Mr. Coffey	.....
Mr. Egan	.....
Mr. Glavin	.....
Mr. Harbo	.....
Mr. Lester	.....
Mr. Egan	.....
Mr. McLaughlin	
Mr. Rosen	
Mr. Quinn Tamm	
Mr. Tracy	
Miss Gandy	

Letter to SAC, Los Angeles

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December 11, 1939

You should make certain that the holsters used by Special Agents are of the type which is consistent with the instructions which have been given by the Bureau.

The Bureau would like to see an improvement in the percentage of cases closed in your office with convictions, as your office is considerably below the national average and, likewise, below the national average as to the number of cases closed each month per Agent. Of course, it is realized that there have been some unusual circumstances pending in the Los Angeles Field Division, but it is hoped that you can effect an improvement, if at all possible.

The Inspector commented that your giving of commands on the firearms range is comparatively weak and that there was not an immediate compliance with these commands on the part of the personnel of the office. It is natural that this type of Bureau activity should be handled properly with the proper standards of strict discipline maintained.

Sincerely yours,

John Edgar Hoover
Director

Enclosures

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January 29, 1940

RECORDED

Mr. R. B. Hood
Federal Bureau of Investigation
U. S. Department of Justice
210 South Spring Building, Room 603
Los Angeles, California

Dear Sir:

I desire to acknowledge receipt of your letter dated January 2, 1940, advising you were not able to complete the Bureau's accounting course by December 31, 1939, due to other commitments.

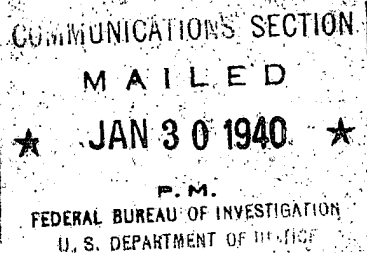
When instructions were issued by me on August 17, 1939, concerning the completion of this course, such instructions were issued due to the fact that it was realized Special Agents in Charge must have a working knowledge of accounting in order to properly supervise the accountants assigned to their Divisions. Special Agents in Charge with offices demanding their personal attention to the same extent your office has, have found the necessary time to complete this course. However, not even the first lesson appears to have been submitted by you.

You are instructed to immediately institute the study of this course and I will expect you to submit lessons at regular intervals in order to complete the work at the earliest possible date.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover
Director

Mr. Tolson _____
Mr. Nathan _____
Mr. E. A. Tamm _____
Mr. Clegg _____
Mr. Ladd _____
Mr. Coffey _____
Mr. Egan _____
Mr. Glavin _____
Mr. Crowl _____
Mr. Harbo _____
Mr. Lester _____
Mr. Hendon _____
Mr. Nichols _____
Mr. Rosen _____
Mr. Sears _____
Mr. Quinn Tamm _____
Mr. Tracy _____
Miss Gandy _____



Handwritten initials and a checkmark.

Federal Bureau of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA

January 2, 1940

Mr. Tolson	✓
Mr. Nathan	
Mr. E. A. Tamm	
Mr. Clegg	
Mr. Ladd	
Mr. Coffey	
Mr. Egan	
Mr. Glavin	
Mr. Harbo	
Mr. Lester	
Mr. Hendon	
Mr. McIntire	
Mr. Nichols	
Mr. Rosen	
Mr. Quinn Tamm	
Tour Room	
Mr. Tracy	
Miss Gandy	

Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to Bureau instructions to the effect that all Special Agents in Charge must complete the Bureau's accounting course not later than December 31, 1939.

My failure to comply with instructions is not a willful disregard of your orders but it has not been possible to devote the time to the study necessary to complete that work. The time necessary for the study could not be taken when my attention was given to other duties, but with Assistant Special Agent in Charge M. W. McFARLIN here I have planned, so far as is possible, a schedule by which I will be able to devote the necessary time to this.

I have made a diligent effort to take time in the evenings when the accounting lessons could be prepared but it has not been possible to obtain sufficient time to actually complete the lessons. If you desire, I shall submit a record of the time I have spent on official business.

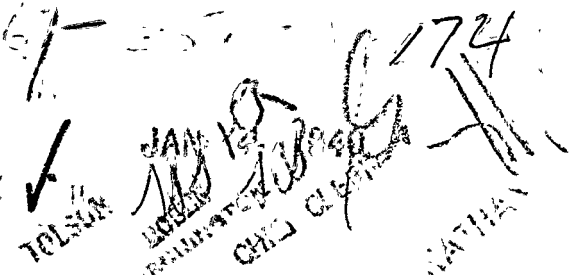
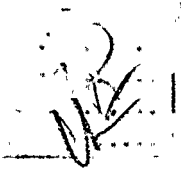
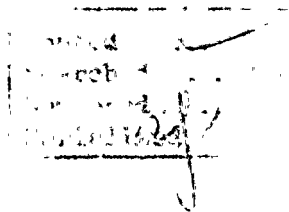
The work of the Bureau has been my first consideration since entering the service and it will continue to be so, at the sacrifice of things personal and as soon as is humanly possible I will submit to the Bureau the accounting course.

Very truly yours,


R. B. HOOD,
Special Agent in Charge.

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JOHN EDGAR HOOVER
DIRECTOR

Federal Bureau of Investigation
United States Department of Justice
Washington, D. C.

HHC:AEK

January 5, 1940

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

Re: Survey
Los Angeles Division
Receipt of Cases
O. W. H.

Mr. Tolson	✓
Mr. Nathan	
Mr. E. A. Tamm	✓
Mr. Clegg	✓
Mr. Glavin	
Mr. Ladd	
Mr. Nichols	
Mr. Rosen	
Mr. Tracy	
Miss Gandy	

In accordance with the Bureau's memorandum instructing that I examine the monthly administrative report of the Los Angeles Division to ascertain if cases were being opened improperly, this is to advise that I obtained the monthly administrative report and called for a large number of sample files; however, coincident with their receipt I was required to leave the city.

Just before leaving the city, I asked Mr. Guerin, temporarily working in this division, to review the files in question and if there was any question in his mind about the advisability of opening any of the cases he should retain this file for my attention upon my return. No such files were retained by Mr. Guerin or referred to me for attention.

This, I believe, was to be expected, because the only titles of cases appearing in the monthly administrative report would be those cases which were in a delinquent status. Some of them would have had no reports whatsoever submitted concerning the case and, therefore, there would be no file in the Bureau. Also, the remainder of the cases would be those of a delinquent status which had previous reports submitted and, in the event the previous report had shown the case should not have been opened there would undoubtedly have been correspondence between the Bureau and the Los Angeles Office about that particular case. It therefore appears that there ^{were} inadequate records available to make such a survey as the one required.

Mr. Tolson suggested, and I concur, that on the occasion of my proceeding from Washington to California to aid in the reorganization of the State Bureau of Investigation and Identification, that I first go to Los Angeles for a few days and make a check of the field office files. I believe this would be the only satisfactory way to handle this matter and, if approved, I will follow this suggestion.

Respectfully,

H. H. Clegg

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CLEGG

CHE. CLEGG

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
COMMUNICATIONS SECTION

JAN 22 1940

TELETYPE

Mr. Tolson	.....
Mr. Nathan	.....
Mr. E. A. Tamm	.....
Mr. Clegg	.....
Mr. Ladd	.....
Mr. Coffey	.....
Mr. Glavin	.....
Mr. Nichols	.....
Mr. Lester	.....
Mr. Newton	.....
Mr. Quinn Tamm	.....
Mr. Rosen	.....
Mr. Tracy	.....
Miss Gandy	.....

FBI PITTSBURGH JANUARY - 22, 1940 8-10 PM LBY

DIRECTOR

FATHER OF SAC HOOD DIED TODAY, UNIONTOWN, PENNSYLVANIA. FUNERAL
TO BE ONE THIRTY PM TWENTY FOURTH INSTANT, FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH,
UNIONTOWN.

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Federal Bureau of Investigation
United States Department of Justice
Washington, D. C.

Mr. Tolson ☒
Mr. Nathan _____
Mr. E. A. Tamm _____
Mr. Clegg _____
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Mr. Egan _____
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Mr. Sears _____
Mr. Quinn Tamm _____
Mr. Tracy _____
Miss Gandy _____

LBN:MLJ

Date 1-22-40

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. TOLSON

⁰
SAC R. B. Hood called from Uniontown, Pennsylvania, to advise that his father died this morning. The funeral will be Wednesday and he of course will stay over until then.

He stated since he was so close, he would like to return by way of Washington. I told him that this would be entirely satisfactory unless advised to the contrary. He stated of course he will keep in touch with us from time to time.

A letter is attached to Mr. Hood.

Respectfully,

*Letter already
signed by Director.*

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TOLSON

CHIEF CLERK

WATSON

L. B. NICHOLS

Signature

OFFICE OF DIRECTOR
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
Jan. 20, 1940

Mr. Tolson _____
Mr. Nathan _____
Mr. E. A. Tamm _____
Mr. Clegg _____
Mr. Ladd _____
Mr. Coffey _____
Mr. Egan _____
Mr. Glavin _____
Mr. Harbo _____
Mr. Lester _____
Mr. Hendon _____
Mr. McIntire _____
Mr. Nichols _____
Mr. Rosen _____
Mr. Quinn Tamm _____
Tour Room _____
Mr. Tracy _____
Mr. Schlidecker _____
Miss Beahm _____
Miss Gandy *[Signature]*

The Chief Clerk's Office advises that SAC Hood received word that his father was very ill in Uniontown, Pennsylvania; that he was leaving Los Angeles via TWA Plane at 5 PM Pacific Time today and will be at 61 Nassau Street, Uniontown, Pa. Agent McFarlin is acting.

RP *[Stamp]*

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MISS GANDY

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Mr. Hoover says to write letter.

OK.

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January 22, 1940

Mr. Richard B. Hood
61 Nassau Street
Uniontown, Pennsylvania

Dear Dick:

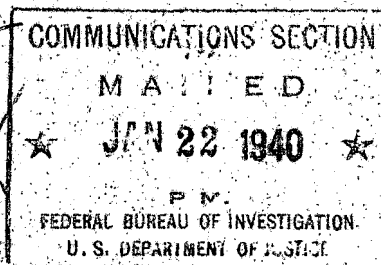
My thoughts have been with you a great deal since hearing that you were leaving for your Father's bedside, and I am distressed now to have learned of his passing. My heart goes out to you in sympathy and understanding, and even though there can be but little comfort gained from these words, I did want you to know there is a wealth of sympathy available for you if this can in any way be a sustaining factor.

If there is anything at all I can do please let me know.

Sincerely,

J. Edgar Hoover

Mr. Tolson ☒
Mr. Nathan ☐
Mr. E. A. Tamm ☐
Mr. Clegg ☐
Mr. Ladd ☐
Mr. Coffey ☐
Mr. Egan ☒
Mr. Glavin ☒
Mr. Gurnea ☐
Mr. Harbo ☐
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Mr. Hendon ☐
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Mr. Sears ☐
Mr. Quinn Tamm ☐
Mr. Tracy ☒
Miss Gandy ☐



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JOHN EDGAR HOOVER
DIRECTOR

Federal Bureau of Investigation
United States Department of Justice
Washington, D. C.

HHC:RLC

February 2, 1940

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

Mr. Tolson	.....
Mr. Nathan	.....
Mr. E. A. Tamm	.....
Mr. Clegg	.....
Mr. Ladd	.....
Mr. Coffey	.....
Mr. Egan	.....
Mr. Glavin	.....
Mr. Harbo	.....
Mr. Lester	.....
Mr. Hendon	.....
Mr. McGuire	.....
Mr. Nichols	.....
Mr. Rosen	.....
Mr. Tracy	.....
Mr. Carson	.....
Mr. Egan	.....
Mr. Gandy	.....

When SAC R. B. Hood of the Los Angeles Office was here last week I asked him immediately upon his return to his office to pull from his pending unassigned general intelligence files any available copies of original complaints in the cases which had not yet been investigated and which were to be investigated so that the Bureau could examine these complaints and advise him as to whether he was exercising the best possible judgement in opening cases for assignment.

A number of these complaints were received yesterday from the Los Angeles Office and I have just conferred with Mr. Rosen. The supervisors under Mr. Rosen's supervision have reviewed these complaints with the following results:

Total number of cases which should not have been of record for assignment -

49 ✓

Total cases satisfactory to assign -

42 ✓

Per cent of unassigned pending general intelligence cases which should not have been opened for investigation -

53.8

Respectfully,

H. H. Clegg

This is very bad.

*Letter should go
to Hood 2/3*

*Letter - Mr. Hood
2/9/40*

Mr. Tolson	
Mr. Nathan	
Mr. E. A. Tamm	
Mr. Clegg	
Mr. Ladd	
Mr. Coffey	
Mr. Egan	
Mr. Glavin	
Mr. Harbo	
Mr. Lester	
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February 9, 1940

Mr. R. B. Hood
Federal Bureau of Investigation
United States Department of Justice
810 South Spring, Room 603
Los Angeles, California

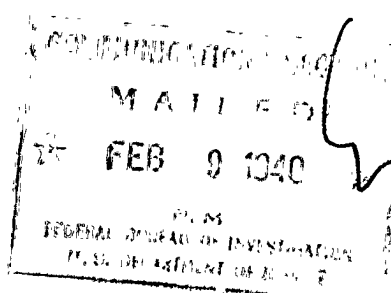
Dear Mr. Hood:

As requested by Mr. H. H. Clegg, a group of 91 copies of original complaints in General Intelligence cases which were forwarded by you have been received at the Bureau. These were reviewed and of the 91 cases it was found from a careful examination that 49 should not have been made of record for assignment. This represents more than 53% of the cases which were made of record for assignment. I am very much disturbed at this situation and consider that it indicates an extremely bad condition in the opening and assignment of cases in the Los Angeles Division. I should like to have you give special attention to this phase of your administrative responsibility and make certain that cases are not opened and assigned unless they merit such action.

Very truly yours

John Edgar Hoover
Director

Mr. Tolson	
Mr. E. A. Tamm	
Mr. Clegg	
Mr. Glavin	
Mr. Ladd	
Mr. Nichols	
Mr. Rosen	
Mr. Tracy	
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Mr. Egan	
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Mr. Hendon	
Mr. Pennington	
Mr. Quinn	
Mr. Nease	
Miss Gandy	



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February 12, 1940

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

Mr. Clegg telephoned this morning from Los Angeles. He stated he found that too many general intelligence complaints have been accepted and placed in line for investigative attention and that he will be able to close out a large number of these investigative matters immediately. He also pointed out that the office during the past several months has accepted many so-called impersonation cases in which persons have apparently secured information but no money by indicating they are connected with the Federal Government. He states the U. S. Attorney at Los Angeles has not been inclined to prosecute cases of this kind. Mr. Clegg felt that it would be desirable to have Mr. Hood confer with the U. S. Attorney in order that he might handle a few of these cases so that the resultant publicity might be beneficial in the community. It seems that in that locality many persons attempt various schemes to defraud.

Mr. Clegg stated he further found that the principal fault at Los Angeles is that the agents do not finish the pending work in a certain locality but that they are inclined to do as they did at New Orleans under Mr. Hood when Mr. Clegg made a survey there previously, i.e., an agent will handle a matter at Hollywood and then go to Long Beach on the same matter but will not handle other pending matters at Long Beach. Mr. Clegg is going to arrange with Mr. Hood for the organization and zoning of his territory so that the agents will not be following each other up in the various parts of the district. Mr. Clegg stated he could summarize the situation at Los Angeles by

First, an undue freedom in opening general intelligence cases, and

Second, a too loose administration of the assignment of agents.

I told Mr. Clegg I thought he ought to tell Mr. Hood that the Bureau is extremely displeased with this situation; that similar derelictions were pointed out to him at New Orleans and we are unable to understand why he has fallen into similar bad practices at Los Angeles; that he will be given 60 days in which to correct this situation and if there is no improvement in that period of time, it will be necessary to transfer him to a smaller office.

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I asked Mr. Clegg concerning the Special Agent personnel. He stated he thought two or three agents could be released right away and doubtless additional agents can be released as soon as the pending matters have been analyzed and those cases closed which should not have been opened. Mr. Clegg stated it seemed that the agents were working long hours but the production in closing cases and in statistical accomplishments is bad.

Mr. Clegg is planning to leave Tuesday or Wednesday for San Diego and will then go to San Francisco.

I have canceled the transfer of two Special Agents to Los Angeles and will further review this situation in connection with the administrative report on March 1st.

Respectfully

Clyde Tolson

Mr. Tolson	✓
Mr. Nathan	
Mr. E. A. Tamm	
Mr. Clegg	
Mr. Ladd	
Mr. Coffey	
Mr. Egan	✓
Mr. Glavin	
Mr. Harbo	
Mr. Lester	
Mr. Hendon	
Mr. McIntire	
Mr. Nichols	
Mr. Rosen	
Mr. Quinn Tamm	
Mr. Tracy	
Miss Gandy	

Postmarked Uniontown, Pa.
February 12, 1940

C O P Y

Mr. J. Edgar Hoover
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Washington, D. C.

R.P.H.L.

Dear Mr. Hoover:

You have been so considerate of us all in
our time of trouble. I want you to know how much
the beautiful flowers and words of sympathy meant
to us.

It was most comforting to have Dick at
home so long.

Sincerely

Elizabeth B. Hood

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It was most comforting
to have Dick at home so
long.

Sincerely

Elizabeth B. Hood.
Thursday.

Mr. J. Edgar Hoover.

Federal Bureau of Investigation.

Washington, D.C.

Dear Mr. Hoover,

You have been so
pensive of us all
in our time of trouble.
I want you to know

ECG

January 3, 1940

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. TOLSON

Listed below are the grades and salaries of all Special Agents in Charge:

<u>NAME</u>	<u>HEADQUARTERS</u>	<u>GRADE</u>	<u>SALARY</u>
* * *			
Hood, R. B.	Los Angeles	Caf 12	\$54.00

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Respectfully,

W. N. Glavin

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March 19, 1940

"R.B. Hood"

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

SUMMARY INSPECTION REPORT - LOS ANGELES OFFICE
INSPECTION BY MR. H. H. CLEGG - FEBRUARY, 1940

A detailed inspection was not made, but over a period of five days as many observations as possible were made and all the personnel were interviewed who were available in the office. The following is a summary of the findings:

PHYSICAL CONDITION AND MAINTENANCE

The office space was neat, clean and satisfactorily arranged. Definite arrangements were made for the moving of the Los Angeles Office to the Federal Building and notice given which stopped the payment of rent thirty days from the date of the notice. The office has subsequently moved to the Federal Building. It will be several months before the walls can be painted. The detention rooms are entirely unsatisfactory as at present for they are definitely on the inside of the building away from any window or natural ventilation or natural light. In order to make these quarters serviceable it is my opinion that portable air conditioning machines would have to be purchased. Yet they are built in the place which was designated by former Special Agent in Charge J. E. P. Dunn at a time when detention rooms were thought by some Special Agents in Charge apparently to be best located away from outside windows.

ADMINISTRATIVE ACTIVITIES

There were 17 original assignment cards for which there were no duplicate assignment cards in the road work box. Nine represented cases which were being assigned and 8 were inexcusable. No original assignment cards were found on 8 cases for which duplicates appeared in the road work box. Five of the 8 represented closed cases. The originals should have been withdrawn simultaneously with the duplicates and there was no excuse whatever for 3 delinquents.

There was a lack of understanding or else insufficiently clear instructions with reference to the rule that the Agents should depart before 9:00 A. M. and return after 5:00 P. M. Five Special Agents are critically of the rule, feeling that intelligence rather than arbitrariness should be the guide and it was felt that telephoning for appointments in the early morning would save time. One Agent, fairly new in the service, went so far as to leave the office and drive out part of the way where he had a case ending, then telephone for an appointment and being unable to get an appointment then returned. SAC Hood was instructed to clarify this and to each of the 5 Agents

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the apparent intention of the Special Agent in Charge was made clear during the inspection. Hood had not intended to be arbitrary.

Several Agents would desire files simultaneously in the morning and after their return in the afternoon and there was some delay because of this fact. A staggered hour system was arranged for the file clerks which would reduce to a minimum these disadvantages and the Agents were to be instructed by Mr. Hood to make out requests for files the night before whenever possible.

Identification Orders left at midnight Saturday underneath the mail box in the lobby of the building were still there at 1:00 P. M. Sunday. Instructions were issued that all mail of all types in the future should be mailed in the Post Office, in a regular mail box or delivered to a carrier.

PRODUCTION BY AGENTS

During the 5 months. February, June, September, December, 1938, and January, 1939, the cases closed per Agent day's work in the Los Angeles Office was .294. For the 12 months, February, 1939, to January, 1940, the production dropped to .250. SAC Hood arrived as Special Agent in Charge at Los Angeles in February, 1939. During the most recent 5 months, September, 1939 to January, 1940, inclusive, the production has dropped to .206.

<u>Time</u>	<u>Cases Closed Per Agents' Working Day</u>
5 Months average prior to SAC Hood's arrival	.294
12 Months since SAC Hood's arrival	.250
Last 5 months	.206

In other words, there were 42% more cases closed during 5 selected months prior to Hood's arrival than during the past 5 months. With more than 40 Agents in the office the volume naturally became considerable. The reasons for decreases in production were believed to be as follows:

1. Increasing migratory population in southern California.
2. Failure on the part of the SAC to properly organize the work in the metropolitan area of Los Angeles.

This production can be substantially increased by

1. The proper organization of the territory, which has been done.
2. By more frequent contacts with police in order to obtain NMCTA, WSTA and similar cases, usually handled in a short space of time, thus increasing production along legitimate lines and increasing statistics in result of investigative work.
3. Automobile shortage. There were 42 Agents in the office, 9 Accountants, leaving 33 who were not accountants. One Agent does not drive an automobile. The SAC and Assistant SAC could do with one car. Thirty cars in

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fact could be used, but 16 were available. Long distances to be travelled in and around Los Angeles would indicate that more cars would increase production.

4. Impersonation situation. Quack complaints, illustrations of which were cited consume considerable time and these cases are then not prosecuted by the U. S. Attorney. It was suggested that arrangements should be made for a more definite understanding with the U. S. Attorney to eliminate investigations where prosecutions could not be made.

PENDING WORK

The following is a tabulation of the total assigned and unassigned work in the Los Angeles Office based upon Agents' estimates: Accounting

	<u>Number of Cases</u>	<u>Agents Days to Complete</u>	<u>Days to Complete</u>
Total Assigned	818	956	474½
Unassigned	462	800	

Five Agents can each take some additional work. During this survey there were at least 75 cases found which should be closed promptly and SAC Hood estimated that on the same basis there would be a total of 250 days' work reduction. After the reorganization system started SAC Hood informed me following the survey it was possible to close 200 cases and a few additional cases were yet to be closed.

INVESTIGATIVE OPERATIONS.

The total volume of pending work for investigation had increased considerably for the following reasons:

1. Large increase in General Intelligence work and lack of wise discretion in opening General Intelligence cases. Outside of General Intelligence for certain selected months the work had not materially increased.
2. A lack of proper organization in the assignment of work in the Los Angeles territory.
3. A lack of Peace Officer contact to develop more cases of a legitimate type which could be handled quickly and improve the results in court of cases investigated by the Bureau.
4. The increase in impersonation cases recently and efforts in cooperation with the U. S. Attorney to reach an understanding as to prosecution so as to make unnecessary investigations when cases would not be prosecuted.
5. Increasing migratory problems of individuals coming to California for short periods of residence in various localities which caused them to be increasingly difficult to find.

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PERSONNEL

It was possible during the inspection to recommend the cancellation of orders for 3 Agents under transfer to Los Angeles; to recommend the transfer of 3 Agents now at Los Angeles away to other offices; the transfer of A Special Agent (A) to another office and the discontinuance of under-cover work in airplane factories on the recommendation of SAC Hood.

SAC Hood had requested one additional stenographer. This was recommended unfavorably due to the decrease in the number of Agents and cases. Two weeks later SAC Hood advised that already the increased production by the individual Agents had reached such a point that the additional stenographer was greatly needed and he was instructed to communicate with the Bureau citing the facts which were different now from which they were at the time of the inspection to support his recommendation.

OVERTIME

As to the overtime performed by the Agents during the month of December, 1939, 3 performed over 4 hours per day overtime; 2 performed from $3\frac{1}{2}$ to 4 hours; 4 from 3 to $3\frac{1}{2}$; 10 performed from $2\frac{1}{2}$ to 3 hours; 12 performed from 2 to $2\frac{1}{2}$ hours, 3 performed from $1\frac{1}{2}$ to 2 hours and 4 from 1 to $1\frac{1}{2}$ hours. SAC Hood was instructed to talk personally with those Agents who had the lowest overtime records.

As to the time of departure of the Agents from the office in the early morning almost half of them were out of the office by 9 A.M. 77.7% had departed before 9:30 A.M.

CONTACTS

Special Agent in Charge Hood appeared to be well and favorably known in certain important quarters to certain important individuals in Los Angeles. One of the Agents indicated, however, that he was not being criticized by the local police, but that the local police had not taken to Mr. Hood in quite the same friendly manner as they had his predecessor, although it was pointed out that Mr. Hood had been very busy on various types of work.

Special Agent W. H. Osborne has done a splendid job in the office in promoting police training schools in southern California.

The following instructions were issued to SAC Hood:

1. To organize his territory to increase production, and this work has begun:
2. To arrange for a staggered arrival of clerical employees so that agents will not be delayed when they desire files;
3. To arrange for a more intelligent interpretation of the rule that agents should be conducting investigations from 9 A to 5 PM;

March 9, 1940

4. That there should be a wiser discretion and better judgement exercises in the opening for assignment general intelligence cases;

5. That constructive steps be taken to fix a policy, in cooperation with the U. S. Attorney, with reference to the handling of technical impersonation cases;

6. To discontinue promptly leaving mailing matter in the open where it might be pilfered.

7. To give closer supervision to the actual assignments of work and the day by day travel in performance of work;

8. To effect a prompt moving within a period of 30 days at least, into the new space and quarters in the Federal Building;

9. To close out all general intelligence cases which should not have been opened in the first place, submitting reports to the Bureau as required;

10. To begin the practice of making more frequent police contacts with those sources which are productive of the type of cases in which the Bureau would expect an increase in statistical and actual production.

RECOMMENDATION

I recommend that an additional inspection be made of the Los Angeles Office within 90 days. Since SAC Hood had apparently had such similar defects in New Orleans, it is believed that this additional inspection would be important. Two weeks after the present inspection the volume of work produced per Agent, according to SAC Hood, had considerably increased. I believe that Mr. Hood has the interest and the directing ability. His defect has been in his organizing ability.

Respectfully,

H. H. Clegg

copy

February 12, 1940

EAT: COH

Time: 4.45 p.m.

MEMORANDUM FOR THE FILES

I called Mr. Hugh Clegg at the Los Angeles Office and requested that in connection with his present work that he check on the accountants, particularly T. M. Mulherin, M. B. Myerson and J. H. Roche, as well as those accountants that have been in their office of preference for five or six years, to see that they are producing a volume of work comparable to the number assigned to the office. Also to check on their overtime, et cetera.

Mr. Clegg stated that as he had informed Mr. Tolson, a check on two five-month periods reflected an approximate decrease of 40% in work done for the most recent period. He stated there appears to be no excuse for this decrease other than poor administration in making assignments of cases. As an example, he stated that an Agent in going to Santa Monica to cover a lead would go there without first having talked to Mr. Hood to see whether there were any other leads to be covered in that vicinity. Mr. Clegg thinks that if the latter practice were followed the production would be increased. He stated that the territory is being zoned today and upon its completion, the Agents will be informed as to their responsibility in carrying out the plan. Mr. Clegg stated that the decrease in production applies not only to the accountants but to the agents as well.

I pointed out that the accountants mentioned are experienced in the service, have been at the Los Angeles Office longer than SAC Hood and have been up against some stern Special Agents in Charge, for which reason he should check rather closely.

Mr. Clegg mentioned that he arrived at the Los Angeles Office after six o'clock last Friday afternoon and the clerks, agents and all seemed to be there. They also appeared to be working on Saturday afternoon. He did not notice, however, whether these particular accountants were present.

Respectfully,

E. A. TAMM

COPY

RBC:IG

April 24, 1940

1-30-19-78

Special Agent in Charge
Los Angeles, California

Re: Photographic Training

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to the photographs exposed by the Agents listed below in connection with training in the use of the camera noted below, which you recently submitted.

The grade obtained by each Agent is noted opposite his name.

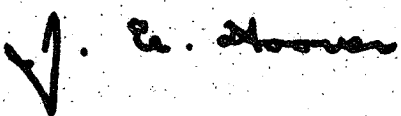
Recomer

SAC, R. B. Hood	- Average	T. M. Mulherin	- Below Average
J. E. Stewart	- Average	M. Sorola	- Average
A. R. Miller	- Average	W. J. Powell	- Average
W. S. Rich	- Average	W. H. Osborne	- Average
J. P. Mohr	- Average	W. M. Todd	- Average
G. V. Dierst	- Above Average	D. W. Magee	- Above Average
J. G. Findlay	- Below Average	R. H. Hallerberg	- Average
G. D. King	- Below Average	S. E. Dennis	- Average
M. M. Bright	- Below Average	W. A. Collier	- Average
W. M. Bott	- Average	I. J. Kellog	- Below Average
A. D. Horn	- Average	J. D. G. Homer	- Average
J. H. Roche	- Average	P. Davitt	- Average
J. C. Sloane	- Below Average	H. K. Moss	- Average
M. B. Harrison	- Average		

It is requested that you grade the photographs and grade obtained by any Agent listed above who may be assigned to another Field Division.

The developed negatives together with prints from the same and the camera training forms which you submitted on which have been noted appropriate comments are being transmitted under separate cover.

Very truly yours,


John Edgar Hoover
Director

RICHMOND, VIRGINIA

April 24, 1940

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Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

While at the Knoxville office, I conferred with Special Agent in Charge H. T. PLAXICO. This is Mr. PLAXICO's first office of assignment. He was quite nervous on the occasion of my arrival and I was able to help put him at ease after a few moments. Mr. PLAXICO does not create the impression of being a very "heavy and substantial" special agent in charge and I doubt that he would create a very profound impression upon his higher type contacts.

While in the Knoxville office, I did confer with Captain ELMER E. DYKE, of the Knoxville Police Department, a graduate of the FBI National Police Academy. Captain DYKE informed me that there was a considerable improvement in the regard in which the Federal Bureau of Investigation was held since Mr. PLAXICO had arrived at Knoxville; that the best recommendation he could give for PLAXICO was to say that he was "another DICK HOOD" and that the relationship between the Knoxville Police Department and the FBI agents and office was on a very pleasant and satisfactory basis.

Very truly yours,

HHC:LE

H. H. CLEGG,
Assistant Director

R.R.B. HOOD

INSPECTION REPORT OF LOS ANGELES

SEE SERIAL 67-153-1-14

RBC:IG

May 7, 1940

Special Agent in Charge
San Diego, California

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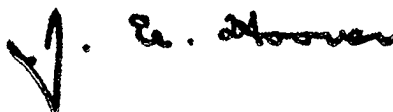
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SAC, R. B. Hood - Average

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Very truly yours,

 J. E. Hoover

John Edgar Hoover
Director

FBC:IG

April 30, 1940

Special Agent in Charge
San Diego, California

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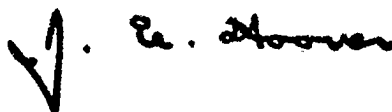
Respectfully,

SAC, F. T. Hood - Texas Avenue

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Very truly yours,

 J. E. Hoover

John Edgar Hoover
Director

SWINGS RIGHT INTO ROUTINE



RICHARD B. HOOD

"I'm just here to carry on the usual activities of the office."

PRESTO! NEW FACE APPEARS AT DESK IN F.B.I. OFFICE

Richard B. Hood, special agent in charge of the federal bureau of investigation here, came in yesterday, slid behind his desk and swung right into the routine of the office without creating a ripple.

Hood succeeds Percy Wyly II, transferred to a Florida F. B. I.

It was in somewhat sharp contrast to changes in other law enforcement agencies, but it is just in line with F. B. I. procedure, for the agents in charge are literally men of the country.

HAS LAWYER'S DEGREE

The new boss G-man here is not only a law man but is a man of the law, having his lawyer's degree just like many others in the department of justice's famous bureau. Born in Uniontown, Pa., 32 years ago, Hood got his schooling at Dartmouth and his law degree at the University of Pittsburgh law school.

He went directly from law school to the F. B. I. in 1934 and after the usual course of training at the Washington school for G-men was assigned to Philadelphia. Assignments at Newark and Washington followed and then he opened the Knoxville office, where he was agent in charge.

KNOWS HIS JOB

Hood next was in charge of the New Orleans office and then took charge at Los Angeles 15 months ago. His assignment to San Diego came as part of the F. B. I.'s policy of giving its men experience throughout the country so they can move in at any office any time without any difficulty.

San Diego's new F. B. I. chief is a clean-cut young man who knows what his job is and knows how to do it. He won't tell you he knows how because that might be considered boasting, but J. Edgar Hoover, head G-man of the nation will say it. For Hoover sent him here, and the head of the nation's F. B. I. knows his men.

Mr. Tolson	✓
Mr. Nathan	✓
Mr. E. A. Tamm	✓
Mr. Clegg	
Mr. Glavin	
Mr. Coffey	
Mr. Egan	
Mr. Glavin	
Mr. Harbo	
Mr. Lester	
Mr. Hendon	
Mr. McGuire	✓
Mr. Mumford	✓
Mr. Rosen	
Mr. Quinn Tamm	
Mr. Nease	
Adm. Files	
Pers. Files	
Mr. Tracy	
Miss Gandy	

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SAN DIEGO UNIO
SAN DIEGO, CALI.
MAY 7 1940

New Head of FBI Office Here



Richard B. Hood, new San Diego FBI head.

HOOD TAKES POST AFTER TRANSFER; SUCCEEDS WYLY

Succeeding Percy Wyly II, transferred recently to Florida, Richard B. Hood, 32, yesterday became special agent in charge of the federal bureau of investigation here, coming to San Diego after 15 months at Los Angeles, where he was in charge. Hood, a native of Uniontown, Pa., has been with the FBI since 1934.

Hood has had assignments from coast to coast. After attending Dartmouth, he received a law degree at the University of Pittsburgh Law school, and then entered the FBI training school at Washington, D. C. His first duty was at Philadelphia, from where he went to Newark and Washington and then to Knoxville, Tenn., where he opened an office and was agent in charge. He then took charge of the New Orleans office, where he was stationed before being assigned to Los Angeles.

Mr. Tolson	
Mr. E. A. Tamm	
Mr. Clegg	
Mr. Glavin	
Mr. Ladd	
Mr. Nichols	
Mr. Rosen	
Mr. Tracy	
Mr. Carson	
Mr. Egan	
Mr. Gurnea	
Mr. Harbo	
Mr. Hendon	
Mr. Pennington	
Mr. Quinn	
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SAN DIEGO, CALIF.
MAY 7 1940

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June 12, 1940

1-30-57-10
Special Agent in Charge
San Diego, California

Re: Photographic Training

Dear Sir:

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Enclosed

S. C. E. S. Hand	- Above Average
D. L. Traylor	- Above Average
G. H. Adkins	- Above Average
L. E. Buckman	- Above Average
H. J. Taylor	- Above Average
P. D. Flanagan	- Above Average
H. C. Wood	- Above Average

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Very truly yours,

J. E. Hoover

John Edgar Hoover
Director

JOHN EDGAR HOOVER
DIRECTOR

WRG:FHA

Federal Bureau of Investigation
United States Department of Justice
Washington, D. C.

June 3, 1940

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. TOLSON

In accordance with your request, there are submitted herewith the grades and salaries of all Special Agents in Charge, Inspectors and Bureau Officials at the Seat of Government:-

NAME	GRADE & SALARY	DATE OF LAST PROMOTION
Andersen, H. E.	CAF 12 \$5200 - 200	\$200 - 5-1-40
Banister, W. G.	CAF 12 \$4800 - 200	\$200 - 6-1-39
Boardman, L. V.	CAF 11 \$4400 - 12 4600	\$200 - 10-16-39
Brantley, D.	CAF 13 \$6400	\$200 - 7-1-38
Bugas, J. S.	CAF 12 \$5200 - 200	\$200 - 4-16-40
Conroy, E. E.	CAF 12 \$5400	\$600 Dem. 5-10-38
Cornelius, A.	CAF 12 \$4600 - 400	\$200 - 4-16-40
Danner, R. G.	CAF 12 \$4600 - 200	\$400 - 4-16-40
Davis, E. R.	CAF 11 \$4600	\$400 - 6-1-39
Devereaux, W. S.	CAF 13 \$5600	\$400 - 5-1-40
Drayton, S. J.	CAF 11 \$4600 - 200 - 12	\$200 - 7-1-39
Duffey, H. R.	CAF 11 \$4600 - 200 - 12	\$200 - 5-1-40
Fletcher, H. B.	CAF 12 \$4800 - 200	\$200 - 3-1-39
Foxworth, P. E.	CAF 13 \$6400	\$100 - 6-1-40
Gelben, E. J.	CAF 11 \$4600	\$400 - 6-1-39
Guegan, R. A.	CAF 11 \$4400 - 12 4600	\$200 - 9-1-39
Guipene, E. P.	CAF 12 \$5000	\$200 - 1-1-38
Hamm, W.	CAF 12 \$5400	\$200 - 7-3-30
Hood, R. B.	CAF 12 \$5400	\$200 - 3-1-39
Hottel, H.	CAF 12 \$5200	\$200 - 3-1-39
Jones, G.	CAF 12 \$5400	\$1000 Dem. 5-1-33
Kitchen, A. P.	CAF 12 \$5200	\$200 - 4-16-40
Lawler, J. E.	CAF 12 \$4800 - 200	\$200 - 5-1-40
Listerman, W. L.	CAF 12 \$5000	\$200 - 1-16-40
McCormack, D. L.	CAF 11 \$4400 - 12 4600	\$400 - 6-1-40
McGuire, J. J.	CAF 11 \$4600 - 12 4800	\$200 - 5-1-40
McKee, S. K.	CAF 12 \$4800	\$200 - 3-1-39
Newman, J. C.	CAF 12 \$5000	\$400 Dem. 3-1-38
Norris, G. B.	CAF 12 \$5000	\$200 - 6-1-39
Peterson, V. W.	CAF 12 \$5000	\$400 Dem. 3-1-40
Pieper, N. J. L.	CAF 13 \$5600	\$200 - 4-16-40
Plaxico, H. E.	CAF 11 \$4600	\$200 - 7-1-39
Richmond, E. L.	CAF 12 \$4600 - 200	Grade only 1-16-40
Richmond, L. H.	CAF 12 \$4600 - 200	Grade only 9-1-39
Rutzen, A. C.	CAF 12 \$5000	\$200 - 4-16-40
Sackett, B. E.	CAF 13 \$5600	\$400 - 6-1-40
Scheidt, E.	CAF 12 \$5000	\$200 - 6-1-39
Sears, J. F.	CAF 12 \$4600 - 200	\$200 - 6-1-39
Shivers, R. L.	CAF 12 \$5400	\$200 - 4-16-40
Soucy, E. A.	CAF 12 \$4800 - 200	\$200 - 5-1-40

Mr. Tolson ✓
Mr. Nathan
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<u>NAME</u>	<u>GRADE & SALARY</u>	<u>DATE OF LAST PROMOTION</u>
Stein, C. W.	CAF 12 \$4600	\$400 - 5-1-37
Stevens, G. A.	CAF 12 \$4800	\$200 - 5-1-40
Suran, R. C.	CAF 12 \$5400	\$200 - 1-16-40
Swenson, J. D.	CAF 12 \$4600	Grade only 1-16-40
Thornton, J. E.	CAF 11 \$4600 -	\$200 - 7-1-39
Vincent, J. W.	CAF 12 \$5200	\$200 - 6-1-39
Vogel, R. C.	CAF 11 \$4400-12 4600	\$200 - 7-1-39 <i>Promoted to Dept 6-12</i>
Warnes, J. W.	CAF 12 \$5000	\$200 - 5-1-40
Wyly, P. <i>From letter sent 6-27-40</i>	CAF 12 \$5000 - 200	\$200 - 12-16-39 <i>Promoted to Dept 6-12</i>
Wynn, E. J.	CAF 11 \$4600	\$200 - 1-1-38

INSPECTORS

Connelley, E. J.	CAF 14 \$7500 *
Gurnea, M. E.	CAF 13 \$6400 *

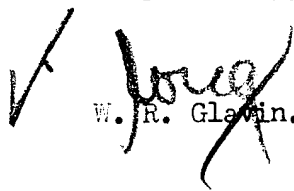
BUREAU OFFICIALS

Nathan, H.	CAF 14 \$7500 *
Egan, J. S.	CAF 13 \$6400 *
Tamm, E. A.	CAF 14 \$7500 *
Clegg, H. H.	CAF 14 \$7500 *
Ladd, D. M.	CAF 14 \$6500 **
Nichols, L. B.	CAF 13 \$5800 **
Glavin, W. R.	CAF 13 \$6200 **
Tracy, S. J.	CAF 13 \$6200 **
Tamm, Q.	CAF 13 \$5600 **
Rosen, A.	CAF 13 \$5600 **
Pennington, L. R.	CAF 12 \$5400 *
Hince, L. A.	CAF 12 \$5200 **
Hendon, R. C.	CAF 12 \$5000 **
Coffey, E. P.	CAF 13 \$6200 **
Harbo, R. T.	CAF 13 \$6000 **

* At top of grade

** Average of grade would be exceeded if any promotions granted

Respectfully,



W. R. Glavin.



R. B. Hood

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
WASHINGTON, D. C.

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Hard, R. B.

N.M.S. Form 16.

LABORATORY EXAMINATION

STATUS

F. B. I.

U.S. NAVAL MEDICAL SCHOOL

Naval Medical Center

Washington, D.c.

DATE

8/7/40

0589

REPORT

KAHN

WASSERMANN

Request of *Dr. Duncan*Address: *F. B. I. Room*

Request for Blood KAHN and Blood

WASSERMANN TESTS.

Qualitative

Quantitative

Cholesterolized

Units

Antigen

NEGATIVE

NEGATIVE

"BLOOD TYPE"

*O**J. W. Farmer*
J. W. Farmer

Lieut. (MC) USN.

(MC), U.S.N.

NAME HOOD, R.B.

N.M.S. Form 6.

LABORATORY EXAMINATION

RATE F.B.I.

U. S. NAVAL MEDICAL SCHOOL,

Naval Medical Center,

DATE 8-7-40

Washington, D. C.

Request of

Dr. Duncan

Address:

F.B.I. Room

Diagnosis

Character of examination desired

R & M

Amount 24 hrs.....Submitted.....

Appearance.....Amber, clear.....

Reaction.....Acid.....Sp.Gr.....1.020

Albumin.....Negative.....

Sugar.....Negative.....

Occult Blood.....Negative.....

Special.....

Casts.....

Cylindroids.....

Mucus.....Few shreds.....

Leucocytes.....Occasional.....

Erythrocytes.....

Epithelium.....Few squamous.....

Crystals.....

J. Saper
J. Saper, Lt., (MC), U.S.N.

RECORD OF PHYSICAL EXAMINATION OF OFFICERS AND SPECIAL AGENTS OF THE
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION, U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

Washington, DC.
Place

August 1, 1940

HISTORY

Name Hood, Richard B. Age 31 years, 11 months
Nativity (state) Pa. Married, Single, Widowed Married Number of Children none

Diseases, operations, or injuries previous to age of 15 (Give date and full description of each and examine carefully for evidence of sequelae.)

Brucella - tuss

Streptococcus infection of Throat - measles - chickenpox

Diseases, operations, or injuries subsequent to age 15 (Give date and full description of each and examine carefully for evidence of sequelae.)

Tonsils Removed 1931

Father (Living? ✓ State of Health Good
(Dead? ✓ Cause & age at death? 64 - sclerosis of heart)
Mother (Living? ✓ State of Health Good
(Dead? — Cause & age at death? —)
Brothers (Number living 1 State of Health Good
(Number dead ✓ Cause & age at death? —)
Sisters (Number living — State of Health —
(Number dead — Cause & age at death? —)

Has any member of family suffered from neurasthenia or insanity or been confined in any institution for the insane? Give relationship and full history of case.

no

Has any blood relative been an inmate of a penal institution or poorhouse? Give relationship and state reasons.

no

Habits: Tobacco? no Alcoholics? occasional Drugs? no

Richard B. Hood
Signature of Candidate.

PHYSICAL EXAMINATION

Eyes: Color? blue Exophthalmos? no

Chronic inflammation? no Other abnormality? no

Eyelids: Ptosis? no Condition of conjunctiva on eversion? normal

Other eye conditions? no

Vision: (Note: Each eye must be tested separately.)

Does candidate wear glasses? yes For what purpose? distance

Distant: Uncorrected vision of right eye? 20/40 Left eye? 20/200

Corrected vision of right eye? 20/20 Left eye? 20/20

Near: Uncorrected vision of right eye? OT Left eye? OT

Corrected vision of right eye? — Left eye? —

Remarks: Compound Myopic Astigmatism

Color sense: Normal

(Standard color plate test required)

Ears: Abnormalities? no Evidence of mastoid or other disease? no

Condition of drums? Right normal Left normal

Hearing: (Note: When testing hearing, the eyes and the opposite ear must be closed.)

Distance conversational speech can be heard:

Right ear — feet. Left ear — feet.

Distance whispered speech (Using residual air) can be heard:

Right ear 15/15 feet. Left ear 15/15 feet.

(Note: Use tuning fork tests, Rinne, Weber & Schwabach, if indicated.)

Right ear — Left ear —

Nose: Deflection of septum slight rt Polypi? no

Chronic nasal disease? no Is candidate a mouth breather? no

Palate: Cleft or perforated? no Other conditions? no

Fauces: Condition of tonsils? removed Pharynx? normal

HE Robins
Signature of Examining Specialist.

Height? 5 feet, 9 1/2 inches. Weight, stripped? 173 Pounds.

General appearance:	(Robust? <u>✓</u>)	Complexion:	(White? <u>✓</u>)
	(Puny? _____)		(Colored? _____)
	(Plethoric? _____)		(Blonde? <u>✓</u>)
	(Anaemic? _____)		(Brunette? _____)
	(Corpulent? _____)		(Florid? _____)
	(Emaciated? _____)		(Sallow? _____)

Skin: Diseases? h

Hair: Color: Brown Thickness N

Glands: Enlargement: h Other abnormalities h

Head, Depressions? h Asymmetries? h

Facial disfigurement? h Facial asymmetry? h

Abnormalities of speech? h

Neck: Goitre? h Other conditions? h

Chest: Inspiration 40 inches. Expiration 36 inches. Respiratory rate? 16

Inspection: h

Lungs: Palpation: h

Percussion: h

Auscultation: h

X-ray examination: h

Heart: Palpation: h

Percussion: h

Auscultation: h

Exercise Test: Step upon chair 25 times in 30 seconds. Pulse rate should return to normal after two minutes.

Pulse rate: Sitting 98 (Psychic) After exercise 128

Condition of heart after exercise: L

Blood pressure, Systolic? 126 Distolic? 78 Pulse pressure 48

Abdomen:

Circumference at umbilicus? 33 1/2 Tenderness? h
Other abnormalities? h
Liver, percussion? h Palpation? h
Spleen, percussion? h Palpation? h
Inguinal rings? h Hernia? h

Scrotum:

Varicocele? h Hydrocele? h Sarcocoele h

Testicles:

Induration? h Atrophy? h
Other conditions? h

Penis:

Epispadias? h Hypospadias? h
Condition of prepuce? h Venereal diseases? h

Anus:

Hemorrhoids? h Fistulae? h
Prolapse of bowel? h Other conditions h

Spine:

Tenderness? h Curvature? h

Reflexes:

Pupillary: h Cremasteric: h
Patellar: h Babinski: h Ankleclonus: h

Upper Extremity:

Missing fingers? h Contractures of hand? h
Condition of joints? h Other conditions? h

Lower Extremity:

Flat foot? Bilateral - No signs Bowed legs? h
Knock-knees? h Varicose Veins? h

Hammer toes? _____ Bunions? _____

Other abnormalities? _____

Agility:

Co-ordination of muscular movements? _____ Romberg? _____

Defects of gait? _____

Mental Condition? _____

(Note: If indicated refer to specialist)

Temperature? _____

Has this person been successfully vaccinated within 5 years? Yes

Has this person had prophylactic typhoid inoculation? Yes Date last taken 1927

Urine: Color? _____ Sp. Gr.? _____ Albumin? _____ Sugar? _____

Reaction? _____ Shreds? _____ Blood cells? _____

Pus cells? _____ Casts? _____ Epitheleal cells? _____

Blood: Red corpuscles per C.mm _____ White corpuscles per C.mm _____

Differential count _____

Blood serologic tests (syphilis): _____ Haemoglobin per cent: _____

Has candidate any of the following defects, viz: Cachexia, or apparent predisposition to any constitutional diseases, permanent defects of either of the extremities or articulations, including defects of gait, flat foot, badly bowed legs, knock-knees, unnatural curvature of the spine, impaired vision, color-blindness, chronic diseases of the visual organs, epilepsy, insanity, chronic diseases of the ears, deafness, chronic nasal disease, polypi, chronic ulcers or cicatrices of old ulcers likely to break out afresh, chronic cardiac pulmonary or renal affections, insufficient chest expansion, hernia, sarcocoele, hydrocele, varicocele (unless slight), fistula in ano, hemorrhoids, varicose veins on lower limbs (unless slight) stature less than 5 feet 4 inches, or more than 6 feet 2 inches, or any marked abnormality of speech or facial disfigurement?

Report of any special examination:

Summary of Findings

(Summarize here all defects found.)

1. Defective vision Rt 20/40 Lt 20/200 cor. to 20/20 each
2. Tachycardia (emotional)
3. Bilateral flatfoot - No symptoms.
4. _____
5. _____

Recommendations:

NONE

J. A.
6 yrs

1. Is this man capable of strenuous ✓ moderate _____ light _____
or very light _____ physical exertion. (Indicate which).
2. Has this man any defect which would interfere with his participation
in raids or other work connected with the detection and apprehension
of criminals which might entail the practical use of firearms?
(Indicate YES or NO) No

Remarks:

E. S. Hansen
R. S. Duncan
W. J. Harper

Administrative action by Federal Bureau of Investigation.

DIRECTOR

August 21, 1940

~~PERSONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL~~

Mr. Richard B. Hood
Federal Bureau of Investigation
United States Department of Justice
728 San Diego Trust & Savings Bank Building
San Diego, California

Dear Mr. Hood:

The Bureau is in receipt of the report of the physical examination afforded you at the United States Naval Hospital, Washington, D. C., on August 7, 1940.

This report reflects the following physical defects:
Defective vision of the right eye 20/40 - left eye 20/200; corrected to 20/20 in each eye.
Bilateral flatfoot - No symptoms.
Tachycardia (rapid heart action) - (emotional).

The Board of Examining Physicians makes the following recommendations:

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None

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It reports that you are capable of performing strenuous physical exertion, and have no physical defects that would interfere with your participation in raids or other work involving the practical use of firearms.

For your information, it was determined during this examination that your blood is International Type "O".

Sincerely yours,

COMMUNICATIONS SECTION

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AUG 21 1940

CC: Mr. Nathan

P. M.

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

E. Hoover
John Edgar Hoover
Director

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I would like to recommend the following personnel changes:

- (1) Transfer of SAC Hood from San Diego to Los Angeles.
- (2) Transfer of SAC Duffey from El Paso to San Diego.
- (3) Transfer of SAC Cornelius from Los Angeles to El Paso.
(Demote from Caf 13, \$5600 to Caf 12, \$5,000 per annum).

The foregoing takes care of pending needed assignments of personnel except to fill the supervisory position at New York City presently occupied by Special Agent Roger F. Gleason. I would like to wait before recommending the filling of this position for a special report from Inspector Egan concerning Special Agent John T. Madigan, No. 1 Man at Newark. I am writing Mr. Egan requesting this report at the earliest possible date.

Clyde Tolson

Mr. Tolson _____
Mr. Clegg _____
Mr. E. A. Tamm _____
Mr. Foxworth _____
Mr. Nathan _____
Mr. Ladd _____
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Mr. Glavin _____
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Mr. Rosen _____
Mr. Tracy _____
Miss Gandy _____

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October 16, 1940

Mr. Richard B. Hood
Federal Bureau of Investigation
U. S. Department of Justice
728 San Diego Trust and Savings Bank Building
San Diego, California

Dear Mr. Hood:

You are hereby directed to proceed
to Los Angeles, California, immediately, and assume
the duties of Special Agent in Charge of the Los Angeles
Field Division.

Sincerely yours,

John Edgar Hoover
Director

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AIR MAIL

CC SAC Cornelius, Los Angeles (Personal & Confidential)

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Mr. Tolson _____
Mr. Clegg _____
Mr. E. A. Tamm _____
Mr. Foxworth _____
Mr. Nathan _____

COMMUNICATIONS SECTION
MAILED

San Diego, California

October 9, 1940

~~CONFIDENTIAL~~

Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Washington, D. C.

RE: KELLY D. DEADERICK - SPECIAL AGENT
SPECIAL ASSIGNMENT.

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to the letter of October 5, 1940, from the Seattle Field Office to the Bureau, relative to the assignment of Special Agent KELLY D. DEADERICK at Seattle, Washington.

It is noted in this communication that Agent DEADERICK advises at the time he was instructed to proceed to Seattle, Washington, he informed me that he had attended college in Seattle and had been assigned to that office. I do not recall any statement by Agent DEADERICK to the effect that he had attended college in Seattle; however, he did state he had been assigned to that office and I knew that of my own knowledge. In view of the fact the Bureau had seen fit to order the transfer of this Agent in an under-cover capacity to Seattle in a shipyard, there was no reason for me to question this instruction.

I know that Agent DEADERICK has been on the West Coast for the past several years, but do not know the exact nature of his assignments, and had no reason to ask the Bureau if there was any assignment that would prevent his effective operation in an under-cover capacity in Seattle.

Very truly yours,

R. B. HOOD

Special Agent in Charge

RBH:iej
cc - Seattle.

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November 7, 1940

AIR MAIL

RECORDED
Mr. R. B. Hood
Federal Bureau of Investigation
U. S. Department of Justice
Post Office Box 831
Los Angeles, California

Re: KELLY D. DEADERICK - SPECIAL AGENT
SPECIAL ASSIGNMENT

Dear Sir:

The comments contained in your letter dated at San Diego, October 9, 1940, concerning the above matter have been brought to my attention and I wanted you to know that I am disappointed in the attitude reflected in your communication.

You have stated that you were aware of Special Agent Deaderick's previous assignment to the Seattle office and that Agent Deaderick called this to your attention personally when informed of the assignment. I am of the opinion that you should have called this conversation with Deaderick to the Bureau's attention promptly, pointing out that this Agent was to your knowledge previously assigned to the Seattle office.

I am unable to understand the attitude reflected by your statement as follows:

"In view of the fact the Bureau had seen fit to order the transfer of this Agent in an under-cover capacity to Seattle in a shipyard, there was no reason for me to question this instruction."

It was obviously your duty to call to the Bureau's attention any circumstances which would, in your opinion, render this assignment inadvisable, and you should have offered any suggestions occurring to you with regard to this matter.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover
Director

Mr. Tolson _____
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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Mr.
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Mrs.

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Mr. Richard B. Hood

Date November 18, 1940

New appointment ☐

Transfer ☐

Promotion ☒

Separation ☐

PRESENT STATUS

1. Title: Special Agent

2. Grade: CAP 12

3. Salary: \$5400 per annum

4. Seat of Government: ☐
Field: ☒

5. Division:

6. Appropriation: "Salaries and Expenses, FBI
(National Defense)"

PROPOSED ACTION

7. Title: Special Agent

8. Grade: CAP 13

9. Salary: \$5600 per annum

10. Seat of Government: ☐
Field: ☒

11. Division:

12. Appropriation: "Salaries and Expenses, FBI
(National Defense)"

13. Effective: December 1, 1940

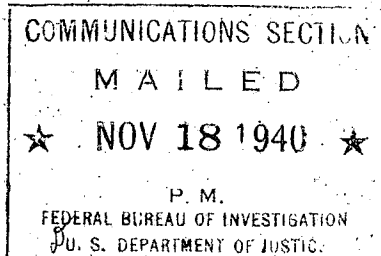
15. Remarks:

14. Position: Additional: ☐
Vice: Arthur Cornelius, Jr. -
Identical: transferred.

Respectfully submitted,

cc: Chief, Audit Section

Director, Federal Bureau of Investigation
(Title)



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November 12, 1940

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. CLAVIN

Please take steps to effect the following personnel changes:

Mr. E. A. Soucy at Baltimore should be designated as Special Agent in Charge instead of Acting Special Agent in Charge.

Mr. A. Cornelius should be demoted from Caf 13 \$5600 per annum to Caf 12 \$5000 per annum.

Mr. L. N. Richmond at Grand Rapids should be designated as Special Agent in Charge instead of Acting Special Agent in Charge.

Mr. R. B. Hood should be promoted from Caf 12 \$5200 to Caf 13 \$5600 per annum.

Mr. L. V. Boardman at Milwaukee should be designated as Special Agent in Charge rather than Acting Special Agent in Charge.

Mr. J. F. Sears at Philadelphia, should be designated as Special Agent in Charge rather than Acting Special Agent in Charge.

Mr. C. E. Hennrich at Richmond should be promoted from Caf 11 \$4600 to Caf 12 \$4600 per annum.

Mr. H. R. Duffey at San Diego should be designated as Special Agent in Charge rather than Acting Special Agent in Charge.

Mr. S. J. Brayton at Seattle should be designated as Special Agent in Charge rather than Acting Special Agent in Charge.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover
Director

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November 20, 1940

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Special Agent in Charge

San Diego, California

Re: Photographic Training

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to the photographs exposed by the Agents listed below in connection with training in the use of the camera noted below, which you recently submitted.

The grade obtained by each Agent is noted opposite his name.

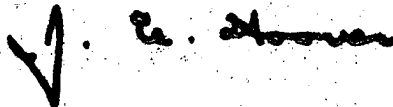
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<u>H. E. Hood</u>	- Above Average
<u>F. C. Dorwart</u>	- Above Average
<u>J. B. Hubbard</u>	- Above Average
<u>F. D. Flanagan</u>	- Above Average
<u>C. B. Sherman</u>	- Above Average
<u>C. G. Stetter</u>	- Above Average
<u>C. C. Mac Cartee</u>	- Above Average

It is requested that you relay the photographs and grade obtained by any Agent listed above who may be assigned to another Field Division.

The developed negatives together with prints from the same and the camera training forms which you submitted on which have been noted appropriate comments are being transmitted under separate cover.

Very truly yours,

J. E. Hoover

John Edgar Hoover
Director

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LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA
November 6, 1940

Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Washington, D. C.

Re: FIREARMS TRAINING

Dear Sir:

The present range facilities of the Los Angeles office are not, according to the statements of the Agents, satisfactory as it is not possible to complete all the training in one place. The small arms training is held at the Pasadena Police Department pistol range. This is satisfactory, but the high powered weapons cannot be used there and the Agents travel from one range to another on the day of their training where training in both types of weapons is afforded.

I am advised that the Los Angeles Times, through its owner, Mr. HARRY CHANDLER, has recently completed a range near Burbank, California, for the use of employees of the Times, it being used as a recreation center.

I would appreciate hearing whether the Bureau would have any objection to my contacting Mr. NORMAN CHANDLER and Mr. DOWNING, secretary and treasurer of the Times, who, I understand, have direct control over this range, with a view to ascertaining whether they would approve assigning it to the exclusive use of the Agents of this office at periods for firearms training. It would be understood that no outsiders are to be present when the training is afforded, this to include representatives of the Times newspaper.

Very truly yours,

R. B. HOOD,
Special Agent in Charge.

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LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA
November 6, 1940

Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Washington, D. C.

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R. B. HOOD,
Special Agent in Charge.

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Mr. Richard B. Hood
Federal Bureau of Investigation
United States Department of Justice
Post Office Box 331
Los Angeles, California

Dear Mr. Hood:

It is with pleasure that I am enclosing a letter from the Attorney General advising you of your promotion from CAF 12, \$5400 per annum, to CAF 13, \$5600 per annum, effective December 1, 1940.

Sincerely yours,

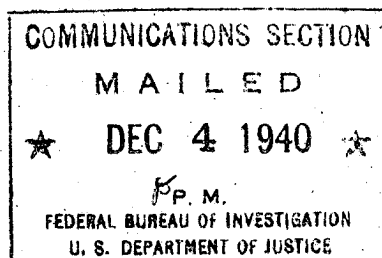
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John Edgar Hoover
Director

Enclosure

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Federal Bureau of Investigation
U. S. Department of Justice
Washington, D. C.

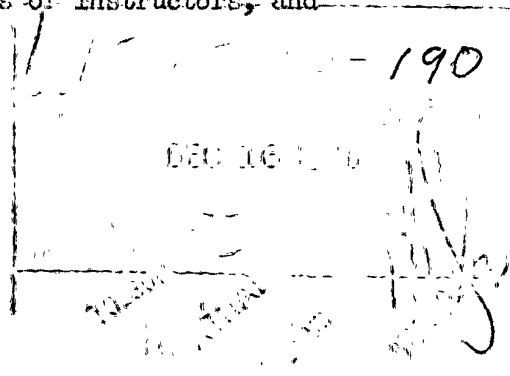
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Dear Mr. Hoover:

Reference is made to telephonic instructions of Assistant to the Director TOLSON for me to contact District Attorney-Elect JOHN DOCKWEILER of Los Angeles County and furnish him with the names of HOPACE GRAYSON, ROSS R. MacDONALD, JAMES T. SHEEHAN and EDWARD HANSEN as being recommended by the Bureau for the position of Chief Investigator, Los Angeles County District Attorney's office, in compliance with the telegraphic request of the newly elected District Attorney.

An appointment was had with Mr. DOCKWEILER on November 20, 1940, which was the first convenient time for him. DOCKWEILER gave the impression of being very sincere in his efforts to accomplish good in his new office and he definitely stated that he is not the type to seek personal publicity and glory. He realizes he has a difficult job and recognizes it as the second most important position in the State of California, being surpassed only by that of Governor. He stated that the present Chief Investigator, JOHN KLEIN, was a former tailor, is incompetent and will not be retained, and shortly after his election he instructed one of his assistants to direct the telegram to you, to Mr. ELMER IRFY of the Treasury department, and to Mr. WILSON, head of the Secret Service, with the request for recommendations for the position of Chief Investigator. He stated that he received a reply from IRFY to the effect that "We recommend WALLACE JAMIE for this position". He stated that he received no reply from you and not being entirely satisfied with the recommendation for JAMIE, as he believes he has accomplished as much good as he can do in this city by reason of his assignment from the Mayor's office as a special investigator, directed the additional telegram which was the basis of Mr. TOLSON'S telephone call. He stated that in all probability his assistant had failed to wire you as he had instructed in the first instance.

Mr. DOCKWEILER was furnished the names of the National Police Academy graduates, above mentioned, and asked numerous questions. I went into detail and explained to him the origin of the Police Academy, its purpose, its program, the names of instructors, and



Mr. J. Edgar Hoover

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November 21, 1940

accomplishments of the graduates. He was very impressed with the program of the Academy. He inquired if I knew of any Agent of the Bureau who might be considered for such a position and I told him that I did not, and that the Bureau was most anxious to keep its present personnel in view of the national emergency and I knew of no former Agents whose names could be furnished to him at this time. He stated that he would communicate with the two representatives from California and possibly with those out of the State as he thought it might be a good plan to have an outsider without any possible connections or acquaintances for this position.

He stated he appreciated very much your interest in this matter and particularly the fact that you frankly stated you were not in a position to recommend JAMIE as you were not well enough acquainted with him. He stated that possibly none of the four names furnished by the Bureau would receive this appointment but he wanted you to understand that if they were not it was because of something over which he has no control as he earnestly desired to personally offer the position to one of these gentlemen:

Prior to my departure from his office, Mr. DOCKWEILER asked me if I would be interested in the position of Chief Investigator for his office and stated that he knew the Supervisors would raise the salary from \$400.00 a month to whatever I was receiving at the present time. I thanked him courteously for this offer and stated my interest was in the Bureau's work and program at the present time and I could not consider that position regardless of any remuneration. This offer from him was not, in my opinion, any attempt on his part to obtain a Special Agent from the Bureau at the expense of the national emergency for I am convinced he is not fully aware of the situation as it exists and does not realize the problem that the Bureau has in connection with this matter. I endeavored to point it out to him, nevertheless, he offered me the appointment. You may be assured that I have no intention whatsoever of seriously considering this offer.

DOCKWEILER stated that it was his earnest desire to cooperate fully with the Los Angeles office and anything in this County that is desired that can be obtained through him is ours for the asking. He offered to place a man in his investigative staff at any time in an undercover capacity or to do anything else that we might desire. He stated that former District Attorney FITTS was a publicity seeker and was motivated by this in handling matters relating to national defense.

Mr. J. Edgar Hoover

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November 21, 1940

He suggested that we have frequent meetings and I will follow this closely and develop his friendship as I believe he is sincere in his efforts to make a creditable showing as District Attorney. He is not a particularly forceful, dominant individual, but recognizing his shortcomings, he is endeavoring to surround himself with capable persons to handle matters for him. I will follow this closely and keep you advised as to the contact with his office.

I thought you would be interested to know that he was the former Congressman for this district and did not run for re-election several years ago as he realized that he had not and would not obtain seniority rights over Congressman BUELL SNYDER (Democrat of Pennsylvania) on the Appropriations Committee of the House. He recalled having met you when you appeared before the House Appropriations Committee on several occasions and he indicated a very friendly feeling toward you personally and the Bureau and I believe he can be counted upon for definite assistance to the Bureau when and if it becomes necessary.

Very truly yours,

/s/ R. B. Hood
R. B. HOOD,
Special Agent in Charge.

RBH:NO

Federal Bureau of Investigation
United States Department of Justice
510 South Spring Street, Room 900
Los Angeles, California
January 28, 1941

Mr. Tolson	✓
Mr. E. A. Tamm	
Mr. Clegg	
Mr. Foxworth	
Mr. Nathan	✓
Mr. Ladd	
Mr. Glavin	
Mr. Nichols	
Mr. Rosen	
Mr. Tracy	
Miss Gandy	

Mr. J. Edgar Hoover
Federal Bureau of Investigation
U. S. Department of Justice
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Hoover:

I want to take this opportunity to thank you personally for the recent increase in salary which you afforded me.

I realize that the coming year is one of the most critical in the Bureau's history and you may rest assured that I will do all within my power to direct the activities of this office to your satisfaction and for the best interests of the Bureau. I hope that it will be possible for you to visit us on the West Coast in the near future.

Again thanking you for your kindness and with best wishes, I remain

Sincerely yours,

W. C. Sullivan

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W. C. Sullivan
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U. S. Department of Justice

Los Angeles, California

March 28, 1941

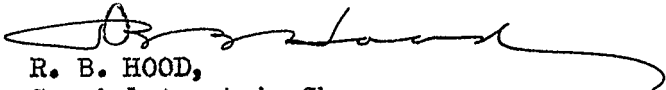
Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

This is to advise that on this date I
have received my questionnaire under the Selective Service
Act.

Very truly yours,

RBH:GWS


R. B. HOOD,
Special Agent in Charge.

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Mr. Tolson _____
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Date April 3, 1941

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. TOLSON

RE: RICHARD B. HOOD
Special Agent in Charge

Entered on Duty - September 24, 1934
Present Grade and Salary - Caf-13, \$5600
Present Assignment - Los Angeles
Marital Status - Married

SAC Hood advises that he has received his
Selective Service Questionnaire.

This agent has been serving as a Special Agent
in Charge since May 1938, having been assigned to the
New Orleans, Los Angeles, and San Diego Offices.

There is submitted herewith D.S.S. Form 42
together with a memorandum for Mr. McGuire advising him
of the action being taken in this case.

Respectfully,

R. H. Laughlin
R. H. Laughlin

Signature

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MEMORANDUM FOR MR. MATTHEW F. McGUIRE
THE ASSISTANT TO THE ATTORNEY GENERAL

Re; Selective Service

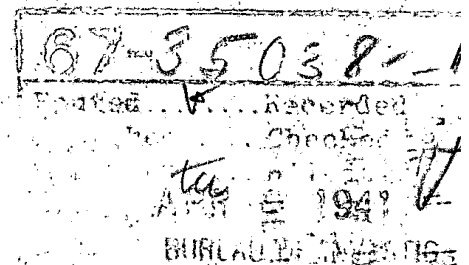
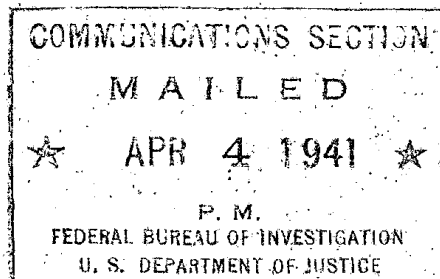
Mr. Richard B. Hood, who entered on duty September 24, 1934, is assigned as a Special Agent in Charge of the Los Angeles Office of this Bureau. This agent has been furnished with D.S.S. Form 42 requesting deferment because of occupation which has been signed by me. A copy of this form is enclosed herewith.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover
Director

Enclosure

Mr. Tolson _____
Mr. E. A. Tamm _____
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Mr. Foxworth _____
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RICHARD B. HOOD

I am the Director of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, United States Department of Justice.

The Federal Bureau of Investigation, United States Department of Justice, has been designated by the President to take charge of investigative work in matters relating to espionage, sabotage and violations of the neutrality regulations. This Bureau is also charged with the duty of investigating other matters bearing upon the maintenance of the internal security of the United States. The duties thus imposed upon this Bureau constitute a vital function in the national defense program of this country.

Richard B. Hood is a trained Special Agent and has been continuously employed by the Federal Bureau of Investigation since September 24, 1934. He cannot be replaced satisfactorily because of the shortage of persons with his qualifications and experience in such activity, and his removal for induction would cause material loss of effectiveness in the conduct of the national defense work of the Federal Bureau of Investigation.

General Supervisory

John Edgar Hoover

Federal Bureau of Investigation
United States Department of Justice
Washington, D. C.

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Mr. E. A. Tamm _____
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April 7, 1941

R. B. Hood

Special Agent in Charge
Los Angeles, California

Dear Sir:

There is being transmitted herewith D.S.S.
Form 42, "Claim For Deferred Classification By Person
Other Than Registrant", which has been issued for your
own use.

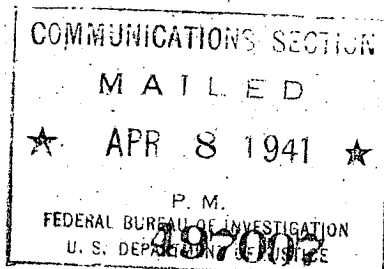
It is requested that you forward this
certification immediately to your local draft board.

Yours very truly,

John Edgar Hoover
Director

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Mr. Tolson _____
Mr. E. A. Tamm _____
Mr. Clegg _____
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April 8, 1941

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. TOLSON

I today saw Special Agent in Charge R. N. Hood of the Los Angeles Office. He makes an excellent appearance and is thoroughly loyal and sincere. I think that he probably is over-intense in his work and might become too enmeshed in detail in his efforts to comply with all of the requirements. He seems to be alert to the present emergency and I believe is diligently trying to do his job satisfactorily.

Very truly yours

J. Edgar Hoover

John Edgar Hoover
Director

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U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

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April 16, 1941

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Mr. R. B. Hood
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U. S. Department of Justice
900 Security Building
Los Angeles, California

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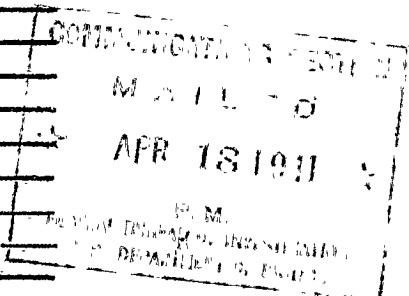
It has been called to my attention that you have completed none of the required thirty-six lessons of the Bureau's accounting course and it appears obvious you have not seriously followed the instructions contained in Bureau Bulletin No. 52, Second Series 1940, dated November 6, 1940, requiring the completion of the course not later than November 1, 1941.

It is imperative that this course of instruction be completed by you within the aforementioned period, and I want you to advise me when you contemplate instituting the submission of lessons.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover
Director

Mr. Tolson _____
Mr. E. A. Tamm _____
Mr. Clegg _____
Mr. Foxworth _____
Mr. Glavin _____
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Mr. Carson _____
Mr. Quinn Tamm _____
Mr. Hendon _____
Mr. Tracy _____
Miss Gandy _____



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April 18, 1941

Mr. R. B. Hood
Special Agent in Charge
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Los Angeles, California

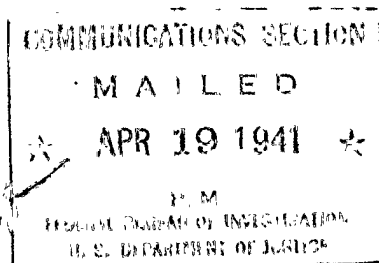
Dear Mr. Hood:

It is requested that you furnish to the Bureau three recent face photographs of yourself, similar to those for use on commission cards and approximately three by four inches in size. Your name and the date made should be entered on the reverse of each photo.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover
Director

Mr. Tolson	
Mr. E. A. Tamm	
Mr. Clegg	
Mr. Glavin	
Mr. Ladd	
Mr. Nichols	
Mr. Rosen	
Mr. Tracy	
Mr. Carson	
Mr. Egan	
Mr. Gurnea	
Mr. Hendon	
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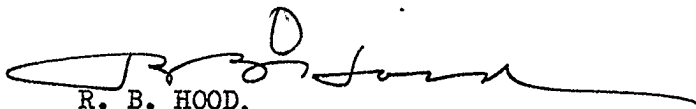
LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA
April 23, 1941

Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

This is to advise that as of April 22,
1941, I was placed in Class 3A by my draft board
at San Diego, California.

Very truly yours,


R. B. HOOD,
Special Agent in Charge.

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NAME *Good, R. B.*

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LABORATORY EXAMINATION

DATE *4/8/41*

Los Angeles
S. A. C. **5206**

U.S. NAVAL MEDICAL SCHOOL
Naval Medical Center
Washington, D.C.

Request of *Mr. Klein*

Address: *F. B. I. Room*

Request for Blood KAHN and Blood
WASSERMANN TESTS.

REPORT

KAHN

WASSERMANN

Qualitative	Quantitative Units	Cholesterolized Antigen
NEGATIVE		

'BLOOD TYPE' *O*

F. W. Farrar
F. W. FARRAR

Lieut. Comdr. (MC), U.S.N.

(MC), U.S.N.

LABORATORY EXAMINATION

NAME HOOD, R.B.

N.M.S. Form 6

RATE FBI

U. S. NAVAL MEDICAL SCHOOL

Naval Medical Center

DATE 8 April, 1941

Washington, D. C.

Request of

Dr. Feen

Address:

FBI Room

Diagnosis

Physical Examination

Character of examination desired

Amount: 24 hrs. Submitted

Color Light Amber Transparency Clear

Reaction Acid Sp. Gr. 1.012

Albumin Negative

Sugar Negative

Occult blood Pos. (Trace) Special

Casts

Cylindroids Mucus Few threads

Leucocytes 0 - 3 per high dry field

Erythrocytes 1 - 4 per high dry field

Epithelium Few squamous

Crystals

URINALYSIS

L. R. Newhouser, Lieut. Comdr., U.S.N.

(MC), U.S.N.

RECORD OF PHYSICAL EXAMINATION OF OFFICERS AND SPECIAL AGENTS OF THE
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION, U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

Washington DC
Place

April 5, 1941

HISTORY

Name Richard B. Hood Age 31 years, 7 months
Nativity (state) Illinois Married, Single, Widowed: Married Number of Children 0

Diseases, operations, or injuries previous to age of 15 (Give date and full description of each and examine carefully for evidence of sequelae.)

Chicken Pox; pneumonia; streptococcus throat infection. measles

Diseases, operations, or injuries subsequent to age 15 (Give date and full description of each and examine carefully for evidence of sequelae.)

Tonsils removed 1928

Father (Living? _____ State of Health _____
(Dead? Dead Cause & age at death? age 64; sclerosis of
kidney
Mother (Living? ✓ State of Health Good
(Dead? _____ Cause & age at death? _____
Brothers (Number living 1 State of Health Good
(Number dead 0 Cause & age at death? _____
Sisters (Number living 0 State of Health _____
(Number dead 0 Cause & age at death? _____

Has any member of family suffered from neurasthenia or insanity or been confined in any institution for the insane? Give relationship and full history of case.

Has any blood relative been an inmate of a penal institution or poorhouse? Give relationship and state reasons.

Habits: Tobacco? No Alcohols? Occasional Drugs? No

Letter to R. B. Hood
4-23-41- [initials]

PHYSICAL EXAMINATION

Eyes: Color? Blue Exophthalmos? No
Chronic inflammation? No Other abnormality? No
Eyelids: Ptosis? No Condition of conjunctiva on eversion? Normal
Other eye conditions? —

Vision: (Note: Each eye must be tested separately.)

Does candidate wear glasses? Yes For what purpose? Distance
Distant: Uncorrected vision of right eye? 20/20 Left eye? 20/200
Corrected vision of right eye? 20/20 - 1 Left eye? 20/20 - 1
Near: Uncorrected vision of right eye? 8 I Left eye? 8 I
Corrected vision of right eye? — Left eye? —

Remarks: Myopic Refraction
Color sense: Normal
(Standard color plate test required)

Ears: Abnormalities? No Evidence of mastoid or other disease? No
Condition of drums? Right Normal Left Normal

Hearing: (Note: When testing hearing, the eyes and the opposite ear must be closed.)

Distance conversational speech can be heard:

Right ear _____ feet. Left ear _____ feet.

Distance whispered speech (Using residual air) can be heard:

Right ear 15/15 feet. Left ear 15/15 feet.

(Note: Use tuning fork tests, Rinne, Weber & Schwabach, if indicated.)

Right ear _____ Left ear _____

Nose: Deflection of septum No Polypi? No
Chronic nasal disease? No Is candidate a mouth breather? No
Palate: Cleft or perforated? No Other conditions? No
Fauces: Condition of tonsils? Absent Pharynx? Normal

S. J. Ryan
Signature of Examining Specialist.

Height? 5 feet, 9 1/4 inches. Weight, stripped? 170 Pounds.

General appearance:	(Robust? <u>✓</u>)	Complexion:	(White? <u>✓</u>)
	(Puny? _____)		(Colored? _____)
	(Plethoric? _____)		(Blonde? <u>✓</u>)
	(Anaemic? _____)		(Brunette? _____)
	(Corpulent? _____)		(Florid? _____)
	(Emaciated? _____)		(Sallow? _____)

Skin: Diseases? n

Hair: Color: Sandy Thickness n

Glands: Enlargement: n Other abnormalities n

Head, Depressions? n Asymmetries? n

Facial disfigurement? n Facial asymmetry? n

Abnormalities of speech? n

Neck: Goitre? n Other conditions? n

Chest: Inspiration 4 1/2 inches. Expiration 3 1/2 inches. Respiratory rate? 16

Inspection: n

Lungs: Palpation: n

Percussion: n

Auscultation: n

X-ray examination: n

Heart: Palpation: n

Percussion: n

Auscultation: n

Exercise Test: Step upon chair 25 times in 30 seconds. Pulse rate should return to normal after two minutes.

Pulse rate: Sitting 80 After exercise 124

2' Rest 96; 3' Rest 84
Condition of heart after exercise: n

Blood pressure, Systolic? 118 Distolic? 80 Pulse pressure 38

Abdomen:

Circumference at umbilicus? 33 1/2 Tenderness? n
Other abnormalities? n
Liver, percussion? n Palpation? n
Spleen, percussion? n Palpation? n
Inguinal rings? n Hernia? n

Scrotum:

Varicocele? n Hydrocele? n Sarcocoele n

Testicles:

Induration? n Atrophy? n
Other conditions? n

Penis:

Epispadias? n Hypospadias? n
Condition of prepuce? n Venereal diseases? n

Anus:

Hemorrhoids? n Fistulae? n
Prolapse of bowel? n Other conditions n

Spine:

Tenderness? n Curvature? n

Reflexes:

Pupillary: n Cremasteric: n
Patellar: n Babinski: n Ankleclonus: n

Upper Extremity:

Missing fingers? n Contractures of hand? n
Condition of joints? n Other conditions? n

Lower Extremity:

Flat foot? 2° Bilateral Bowed legs? n
Knock-knees? n Varicose Veins? n

Hammer toes? n Bunions? n

Other abnormalities? n

Agility:

Co-ordination of muscular movements? n Romberg? n

Defects of gait? n

Mental Condition? n

(Note: If indicated refer to specialist)

Temperature? _____

Has this person been successfully vaccinated within 5 years? 7/10

Has this person had prophylactic typhoid inoculation? ✓ Date last taken 1938

Urine: Color? See Sp. Gr.? _____ Albumin? _____ Sugar? _____

Reaction? Report Shreds? _____ Blood cells? _____

Pus cells? little Casts? _____ Epitheleal cells? _____

Blood: Red corpuscles per C.mm _____ White corpuscles per C.mm _____

Differential count _____

Blood serologic tests (syphilis): _____ Haemoglobin per cent: _____

Has candidate any of the following defects, viz: Cachexia, or apparent predisposition to any constitutional diseases, permanent defects of either of the extremities or articulations, including defects of gait, flat foot, badly bowed legs, knock-knees, unnatural curvature of the spine, impaired vision, color-blindness, chronic diseases of the visual organs, epilepsy, insanity, chronic diseases of the ears, deafness, chronic nasal disease, polypi, chronic ulcers or cicatrices of old ulcers likely to break out afresh, chronic cardiac pulmonary or renal affections, insufficient chest expansion, hernia, sarcocoele, hydrocele, varicocele (unless slight), fistula in ano, hemorrhoids, varicose veins on lower limbs (unless slight) stature less than 5 feet 4 inches, or more than 6 feet 2 inches, or any marked abnormality of speech or facial disfigurement?

Report of any special examination:

DENTAL EXAMINATION OF Hood, R. S

GENERAL ORAL CONDITION

MUCOUS MEMBRANE

☒	Normal
☐	Inflamed
☐	Swollen
☐	Ulcerated
☐	Septic

SALIVA

☒	Normal
☐	Excessive
☐	Acidity
☐	Thick or ropy
☐	Odor

OCCLUSION

☒	Normal
☐	Class I
☐	Class II
☐	Class III

TONGUE

☒	Coating
☐	Cryptic
☐	Ulcerated
☐	Enlarged

Glands _____

Sinus _____

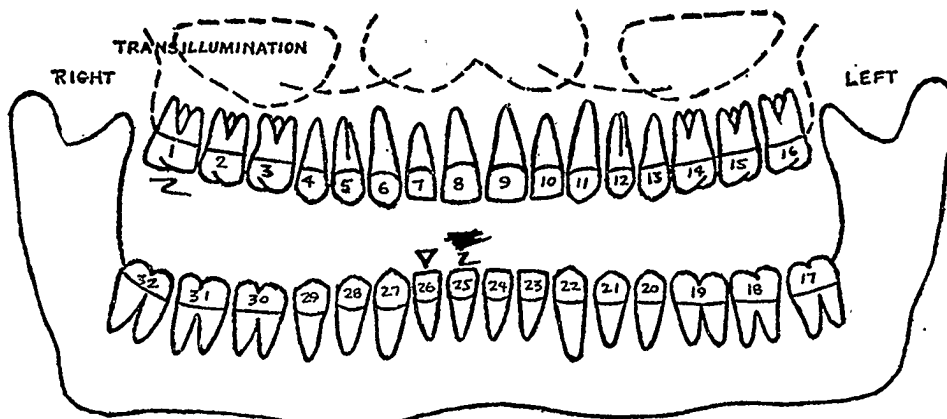
Throat _____

ARCH

☒	Square
☐	Tapering
☐	Ovoid

DENTAL DIAGNOSIS

- A. Labial
- B. Lingual
- C. Incisal
- D. Occlusal
- E. Buccal
- G. Mesial
- H. Distal
- K. Mesio-labial
- L. Disto-labial
- M. Mesio-lingual
- N. Disto-lingual
- O. Mesio-incisal
- P. Disto-incisal
- R. Mesio-occlusal
- S. Disto-occlusal
- T. Bucco-occlusal
- U. Lingual-occlusal
- V. Mesio-disto-occlusal
- W. Bucco-lingual-occlusal



☒ Roots ☐ Abscess ☐ Impacted ☒ Crown ☐ Devitalized ☐ Dummy bridge ☐ On denture ☐ Missing ☒ Extraction Indicated

X-ray No. 26 X-ray reading # 26 shows large chronic periapical disturbance

Gingival disease (indicate nature and extent) _____

Conditions of appliances replacing teeth _____

Remarks: _____

In case a dentist is not available to make the dental examination, the medical examiner shall record missing teeth, prosthetic replacements, and give a general estimate of oral condition.

Date 4-8-41 (Signature) Carl A. Schlach
Dental Surgeon

Summary of Findings

(Summarize here all defects found.)

1. Refracted vision, 2° Bilateral - No symptoms
2. Refracted Vision — (Rt - $\frac{20}{20}$ corrected to 20/20 - 1)
3. (Myopic astigmatism) (Left - $\frac{20}{200}$ " " 20/20 - 1)
4. Periapical disturbance tooth # 26.
5. _____

Recommendations: Zephlenid + small per prophylaxis.

SAC

Dental treatment tooth # 26.

1. Is this man capable of strenuous ☒ moderate _____ light _____
or very light _____ physical exertion. (Indicate which).
2. Has this man any defect which would interfere with his participation
in raids or other work connected with the detection and apprehension
of criminals which might entail the practical use of firearms?
(Indicate YES or NO) No

Remarks:

B. G. Bean

Carl A. Schackel

Administrative action by Federal Bureau of Investigation.

DIRECTOR

JEP:MH

April 23, 1941

~~PERSONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL~~

Mr. Richard S. Hood
Federal Bureau of Investigation
United States Department of Justice
900 Security Building
Los Angeles, California

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to
file

Dear Mr. Hood:

The Bureau is in receipt of the report of the physical examination afforded you at the United States Naval Hospital, Washington, D. C., on April 8, 1941.

This report reflects the following physical defects:

Defective vision of the right eye 20/70 - left eye 20/200; corrected to 20/20-1 in each eye.
Depressed arches - 2° bilateral - no symptoms.
Periapical disturbance, tooth 26.

The Board of Examining Physicians makes the following recommendations:

Vaccination for smallpox.
Inoculation for typhoid.
Dental treatment, tooth 26.

It reports that you are capable of performing strenuous physical exertion, and have no physical defects that would interfere with your participation in raids or other work involving the practical use of firearms.

For your information, it was determined during this examination that your blood is International Type "O".

COMMUNICATIONS SECTION

MAILED

★ APR 23 1941 ★

cc: Mr. Clegg

P. M.

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

Sincerely yours,

J. E. Hoover
voh JP

John Edgar Hoover
Director

Los Angeles, California
April 30, 1941

Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Washington, D. C.

Re: Selective Service

Dear Sir:

From recent newspaper articles it is noted a day may be set aside in the near future by the President of the United States at which time individuals who have recently reached the age of twenty-one will register under the Selective Training and Service Act.

The Los Angeles Field Division up to the present time have had over fourteen hundred cases reported for investigation and it has been noted in a considerable number of these cases the registrant has moved without advising the Local Board of his change of address; that upon being located the registrant was unaware the burden was upon him to keep the Local Board informed of his whereabouts. It is further noted a number of registrants are itinerant individuals who follow the various produce harvest seasons in California being in one city for a period of several weeks and then traveling to another part of the state to work in other crops. Considerable difficulty is being experienced in locating such individuals, the greater portion of whom are Filipinos and Mexicans and of other foreign nationalities, the majority being unable to read and write.

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It is suggested when individuals are registered under the Selective Service Act considerable difficulty would be avoided if the person registering such individuals would advise the registrants, and possibly furnish them printed information, to the effect that it is a violation of a Federal Statute to move without advising the Local Board; that such a violation upon conviction carries a maximum penalty of five years and \$5000. fine.

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It is further suggested the person registering such individuals obtain the complete information specified on the registration card. It has been

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Director
re: Selective Service

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noted on numerous occasions the individual is unemployed and a statement is made to that effect. It is believed in this connection the name of a former employer would be of assistance in locating the registrant. It is noted further the person listed as always knowing the whereabouts of the registrant is in a number of cases the employer or a close friend who works for this same employer and when the season is over both leave with the result that neither individual can be located; it is believed a relative such as mother or father or some other such individual might better be listed as the person who will always know the whereabouts.

It has further been noted in a number of cases the registrant furnished a false name as well as a false address and it is believed considerable work might be eliminated if the individual registered be required to show a drivers license or some other form of identification as to his name and address.

This information is being submitted to the Bureau with the suggestion that the Bureau may desire to contact the appropriate representative of the Selective Service System in this matter to enlist their assistance in securing more complete and specific data at the time of registration to eliminate unnecessary investigation in the handling of these cases.

Very truly yours.


R. B. HOOD,
Special Agent in Charge

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May 10, 1941

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Special Agent in Charge
Los Angeles, California

Re: SELECTIVE SERVICE

Dear Sir:

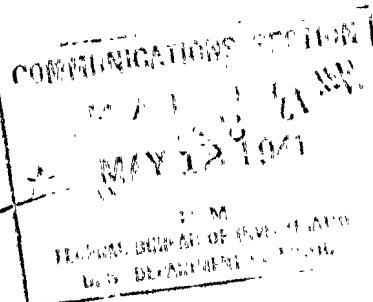
Receipt is acknowledged of your letter dated April 30, 1941, in which it is noted that you make certain suggestions concerning changes which may be desirable in the Selective Service System Regulations governing future registrations.

Please be advised that your suggestions have been noted, and the contents of your letter referred to the Department with the suggestion that they be brought to the attention of the proper Selective Service System officials.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover
Director

Mr. Tolson _____
Mr. E. A. Tamm _____
Mr. Clegg _____
Mr. Foxworth _____
Mr. Glavin _____
Mr. Ladd _____
Mr. Nichols _____
Mr. Rosen _____
Mr. Carson _____
Mr. Quinn Tamm _____
Mr. Hendon _____
Mr. Tracy _____
Miss Gandy _____



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June 7, 1941

Mr. E. E. Hood
Federal Bureau of Investigation
U. S. Department of Justice
900 Security Building
Los Angeles, California

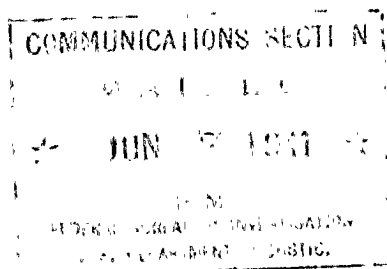
Dear Mr. Hood:

This will acknowledge the receipt of your contribution of \$5.00 to the fund to be paid to the designated beneficiary of any participating Special Agent of the Bureau who dies, from any cause, while employed as a Special Agent.

Sincerely yours,

J. E. Hoover

John Edgar Hoover
Director



JOHN EDGAR HOOVER
DIRECTOR

Federal Bureau of Investigation
United States Department of Justice
Washington, D. C.

April 30, 1941

Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation
United States Department of Justice
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

For inclusion in the fund to be paid to the widow or designated beneficiary of any Special Agent of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, United States Department of Justice, who has contributed to this fund subsequent to April 15, 1941, and who dies from any cause, while employed as a Special Agent, I am forwarding herewith (by CHECK - MONEY ORDER) the sum of five dollars (\$5), made payable to the Chief Clerk of said Bureau, to be included in said fund. It is understood and agreed that the sum tendered herewith is a voluntary, gratuitous contribution to said fund, which I understand is to be administered in the following manner:

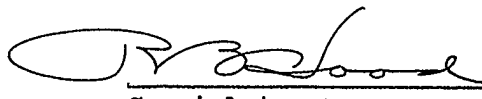
The Director of the Bureau will appoint a committee which shall consider all matters pertaining to the acquisition, safe keeping, and expending of said fund, which committee will recommend appropriate action to the Director of the Bureau in pertinent matters. The Chief Clerk of said Bureau shall receive all contributions and account for same to the Director.

Upon the death of any Special Agent, the appointed committee will consider the case and submit a recommendation to the Director as to its conclusions. Appropriate instructions will then be issued to the Chief Clerk, directing him to pay to the designated beneficiary the sum of \$5,000.

The following person is hereby designated as my beneficiary:

Name Wileen F. Hood Address Los Angeles Office
Relationship wife

Very truly yours,


Special Agent

JOHN EDGAR HOOVER
DIRECTOR

Federal Bureau of Investigation
United States Department of Justice
Washington, D. C.

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May 29, 1941

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

A conference was held in Memphis, Tennessee on Sunday, May 25th, at which there were present the following: SAC Fierstone from Knoxville; SAC Guinane from Birmingham; SAC Wyly from Jackson, Mississippi; SAC Fletcher from New Orleans; SAC Hallford from Little Rock; SAC Bryce from El Paso; SAC Andersen from Oklahoma City; SAC Kitchin from Dallas; ASAC Acers from San Antonio; SAC Abbaticchio, ^{from Houston} and SAC Scheidt from Charlotte.

Another conference was held in San Francisco, on Tuesday, May 27th, at which there were present the following: SAC Banister from Butte; SAC Newman from Salt Lake; SAC Duffey from Phoenix; SAC Cornelius from Seattle; SAC Swenson from Portland; SAC Hood from Los Angeles, and SAC Nathan from San Diego. Assistant Director Connelley, ASAC Vincent of the Los Angeles Office, and Agent Van Pelt of the San Francisco Office, also participated in this conference, as well as SAC Pieper.

Charts prepared by Mr. Devereaux in Chicago were discussed, and without exception the SACs seemed to be enthusiastic about them. The only suggestion made was that the Bureau furnish the field with photographic copies of the charts prepared in Chicago. I explained that it was not the Bureau's desire that there be a set pattern for them to follow, but that they were to work out something that would be of benefit to them. They then countered, both in Memphis and San Francisco, with the suggestion that the Bureau furnish to the field a chart showing the growth and development of the Communist Party up to the point where it involved their own districts.

In addition to the charts, we also discussed with the SACs the suggestion of SAC Sackett, the quarterly conferences with law enforcement officers, the statistical accomplishments of the offices, the question of morale, discipline, gossip and the necessity for secrecy, our relations with ONI and G2, the matter of informants, the American Legion program, technical surveillances, and such other matters as they expressed an interest in. My remarks to the SACs followed the lines set forth in Mr. Tamm's memorandum of May 28, 1941.

Mr. Tolson _____
Mr. E. A. Tamm _____
Mr. Clegg _____
Mr. Foxworth _____
Mr. Glavin _____
Mr. Ladd _____
Mr. Nichols _____
Mr. Rosen _____
Mr. Carson _____
Mr. Drayton _____
Mr. Quinn Tamm _____
Mr. Hendon _____
Mr. Coffey _____
Mr. Harbo _____
Tele. Room _____
Tour Room _____
Mr. Nease _____
Mr. Tracy _____
Miss Beahm _____
Miss Gandy _____

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(Regional Conference File)

Letter sent to each SAC

This is evidence of the fact that the SACs are not only interested in the charts but are also working on them. They must do this.

It is a very bad selfish & disinterested attitude.

they do let you letters of May 22? are there any important
use that letter as excuse from fantastic work is important
misleading but it is exciting & hard & that is kind of their
reaction. I want to bring other sort of evidence

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they do
use that &
vice versa
objection.

concurrent in by all present) were the following:

I am amazed & outraged at attitude of West Coast
Sacs. They have deliberately misinterpreted our letter
& its purpose & are trying to bring up East resistance.
Of course cases must be solved & that is their task. Did

1. They did not think that this was the time for speech-making. They voiced the opinion that the prosecution of one or two good espionage cases would do more toward selling the FBI to the public than any other thing. They felt that the importance of national defense matters pending at the present time was such that no time should be spared from the investigation of these matters.
2. It was the view of those assembled that it would be embarrassing to contact the various organizations, chambers of commerce, et cetera, offering to make speeches. There was a discussion of the necessity for handling this matter in a subtle and diplomatic manner. However, it was the feeling of those present that it would immediately become known that the Bureau was interested in such an educational program.
3. The SACs pointed out that they had been informing all the police officers that the FBI at the present time was so busy handling pending matters that it was necessary to request the police to make certain investigations for us. SAC Vincent pointed out that recently on two occasions he had been asked by the police how it was that he could find time to make speeches when so much work was pending. The comment was also made that police officers had informed the SACs that, knowing of the large volume of work pending, they felt it was much more important to handle the investigative work than it was to conduct police schools, and for that reason they were making no requests for such schools.
4. The SACs voiced the opinion that, regardless of making statements to audiences to the effect that we are interested only in complaints concerning espionage, sabotage and related matters, we would be completely snowed under with unfounded complaints if such complaints were repeatedly requested from audiences when speeches were made.
5. The SACs were of the opinion that much more value would accrue to the Bureau if speeches were only made before highly selective groups, and that the smaller number of speeches made the better they would go over. They were of the opinion that if all the organizations knew they could have a Bureau speaker at any time they so desired, they would not be nearly as much interested as they would if one were hard to get.
6. They pointed out that it would be bad to turn down any request for a speaker after they had made a specific offer to the organization to make such speeches, and accordingly sometimes it would be necessary to travel some distance, which would require a great amount of time, in complying with invitations extended. In this connection they pointed out that a large number of organizations insist upon the SAC appearing and are not interested in hearing an agent.

The SACs stated they understood the Bureau's program and desires as outlined in the letter of May 22nd and would do their utmost to see that they were carried out to the letter; that, however, they did desire that I inform you of their views in the matter. They stated they could appreciate the value of

such a program, but thought at this time concentration upon actual investigative work was much more important.

Mr. Cornelius suggested, with reference to the quarterly law enforcement conferences, that all sessions of the conference be kept closed. He felt that a summary of what the principal speakers were going to say should be given to the newspaper men, as well as permission to take pictures, et cetera, before the conference began. By giving out such summaries it was Cornelius' opinion that they would be better able to control what the press printed. He also pointed out that he had experienced difficulty in one or two instances in getting those out who should not remain after the open session had concluded.

Mr. Pieper offered the suggestion, which was concurred in by the others, that the Bureau press releases be made shorter and more in line with a newspaper man's viewpoint of a press release; further, that the press releases sent to the field by the Bureau not be dated, inasmuch as they are often received a week to ten days after their date.

Both in Memphis and in San Francisco the SACs voiced the opinion that unnecessary leads of a general nature were being set out. They pointed out particularly leads which come to their offices calling for the office to check its indices on certain names, wherein such leads were circulated to all field offices. I explained why the Bureau's index was not complete and could not contain every name appearing in the field office files, and suggested that on those leads which they considered unnecessary they should refer them back to the field office from which they came. The supervisors in the national defense division will also be instructed to watch for any unnecessary leads.

Mr. Van Pelt offered the suggestion that typist applicants be given the typing test immediately upon reporting for interview and examination; that the tests thereafter be graded and in the event the typists failed to pass they be so informed, eliminating the necessity of an interview and also the dictation of a report. Van Pelt stated he felt this would save quite a bit of time in San Francisco where they are interviewing approximately twenty to twenty-five typing applicants per week. The others in attendance at the conference concurred in this suggestion.

SAC Pieper offered the suggestion that the Bureau have regional retraining schools for all agents, instead of the retraining schools in Washington, pointing out that from the West Coast two to four days are consumed in traveling both to and from Washington. I pointed out to him the fact that it would be impossible to duplicate in regional schools all the training given at Washington.

*Concurred by
bulletin
6/21/44
Why don't they use planes?
something that time?
H.*

Connelley is right
H. SAC Pieper made the suggestion, which was concurred in by all others in attendance except Mr. Connelley, that the Bureau endeavor to have ONI assume the entire responsibility for the investigation of all Japanese activities. Pieper does not feel that the dual responsibility in the handling of such matters is practical. Mr. Connelley stated he was directly opposed to the surrender of investigative jurisdiction in any field wherein prosecutions might be had in the United States Courts.

Mr. Pieper brought up the question of supplying information to ONI and G2, specifically stating that he has completed the Italian Survey in the San Francisco area; that ONI has asked for this information on numerous occasions and he has always responded that the investigation was still under way. He feels that some definite policy should be set forth as to exactly what should and what should not be furnished to ONI and G2. I explained to him the Bureau's policy as it now exists, which leaves some discretion to the SAC. It was his suggestion, as well as that of the other SACs present, that this should not be a matter for their discretion, but that there should be a uniform policy throughout the field. In discussing the matter it appears that the various SACs in the Coast area are following different policies, even though they are submitting reports to the same corps areas of the Army and Navy.

Cornelius, in Seattle, states ONI and G2 have requested copies of all reports and that they want such reports because of their coverage interest. Acting under his interpretation of the Bureau's policy, he has declined to furnish them with information concerning individuals, unless the individuals are of actual interest ^{to} the Army and Navy, or unless the individuals reside near Army or Navy bases. He does furnish them with general information concerning subversive activities and with specific information regarding such activities when the specific information is requested.

Newman in Salt Lake furnishes ONI and G2 any information requested. If the information is delicate, he first secures Bureau authority. He does not furnish general information, because he states they have never requested it. Pieper states, however, that the Corps Area Commander has requested this information of him. Pieper states he uses discretion in each case, but he does think on the general situation, particularly the survey reports, the seat of government should furnish whatever it wants to the Washington headquarters of ONI and G2, relieving the field of this responsibility entirely. Messrs. Nathan and Swenson agreed with Pieper's suggestion, as did Mr. Newman.

Mr. Connelley suggests that we give ONI and G2 copies of all investigative reports and that this be the adopted policy and not be dependent upon the SACs judgment or discretion. He further suggests that the Bureau be advised

of anything not furnished to G2 or ONI locally, in order that the Bureau may, should it consider it advisable, inform the headquarters of that service of the reason why the information was not furnished. He feels if we follow this policy we will be protected in any situation that may arise in the future.

The suggestion was made by the SACs, both in Memphis and in San Francisco, that a similar conference be held in the field about every 90 days.

I will take up with the Executives Conference the various suggestions set forth above.

Respectfully,

P. E. Foxworth

I don't believe there is much merit in any of the suggestions or criticisms outlined in this memorandum, and I particularly am not sympathetic towards the objections voiced to the policy of extending the Bureau's public relations program. Van Pelt's statement about grading typist applicants before interview appears to possess some merit -- the balance of the views expressed, I think, can be completely dissipated by a full appreciation of the Bureau's national problems and objectives.

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I am very much concerned about the general attitude of the West Coast SACs on all matters. Weper is particularly bad. It shows a lack of vision & appreciation of the broad problems we have. As already indicated, I want strong letters written to all SACs of Western Conference & straighten out their check-eyed views & wild suppositions.

June 18, 1941

CT:LCB

Mr. B. B. Hood
Federal Bureau of Investigation
U. S. Department of Justice
900 Security Building
Los Angeles, California

Dear Sir:

The Bureau has received a report from Assistant Director Foxworth in connection with the conference of Special Agents in Charge which was held in San Francisco on May 27th, and is amazed at the attitude taken by those Special Agents in Charge in attendance at the meeting with respect to the contents of the Bureau's bulletin to the field dated May 22, 1941, concerning the desirability of making contacts with civic organizations throughout the country in order to acquaint the members of these groups with the duties and responsibilities of the Bureau in the national defense situation.

Mr. Foxworth has reported that all of the Special Agents in Charge in attendance at the meeting were of the opinion that the program outlined in the May 22nd bulletin "would not be to the best interests of the Bureau." It was indicated that the reasons given for this view, which were concurred in by all present were - first, "they did not think this was the time for speech making and voiced the opinion that the prosecution of one or two good espionage cases would do more toward selling the FBI to the public than any other thing"; second, "it was the view of those assembled that it would be embarrassing to contact the various organizations, Chambers of Commerce, et cetera, offering to make speeches"; third, "the Special Agents in Charge pointed out that they had been informing all the police officers that the FBI at the present time was so busy handling pending matters that it was necessary to request the police to make certain investigations for us"; fourth, "the Special Agents in Charge voiced the opinion that, regardless of making statements to audiences to the effect that we are interested only in complaints concerning espionage, sabotage and related matters, we would be completely snowed under with unfounded complaints if such complaints were repeatedly requested from audiences when speeches were made"; fifth, "the

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Special Agents in Charge were of the opinion that much more value would accrue to the Bureau if speeches were only made before highly selective groups, and that the smaller number of speeches made the better they would go over", and sixth, "they pointed out that it would be bad to turn down any request for a speaker after they had made a specific offer to the organization to make such speeches, and accordingly sometimes it would be necessary to travel some distance, which would require a great amount of time in complying with invitations extended."

This attitude upon the part of the Special Agents in Charge who were present at the meeting in San Francisco on May 27th shows that those officials of the Bureau deliberately misinterpreted the Bureau's instructions and the purport of the instructions, and that they are seeking to take the line of least resistance in connection with the instructions issued. Obviously it is important that espionage and other cases be brought to a successful conclusion. That is the basic task of the Special Agents in Charge. The criticism that the instructions contained in the Bureau's bulletin of May 22nd will interfere with the solution of espionage cases appears to the Bureau to be ridiculous. I would like to be advised as to the number of "good espionage cases" which were successfully solved in your district prior to the receipt of the bulletin dated May 22, 1941. Certainly the contents of this bulletin cannot be utilized by any Special Agent in Charge as an excuse for not developing and solving espionage or other cases under his jurisdiction. There has never been any indication upon the part of the Bureau that public appearances by its officials before law enforcement or civic groups shall in any way interfere with their regular duties. In fact all Bureau instructions have been to the contrary.

The bulletin of May 22nd clearly indicates that it is the desire of the Bureau that Special Agents in Charge contact civic organizations such as those mentioned, with a view to securing their wholehearted support and cooperation in the national defense and internal security program. This contact work is imperative and necessary. It is true that it is a difficult task. Such contacts require considerable mental and physical effort.

Mr. E. B. Hood

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Frankly, I consider the opinions expressed by the Special Agents in Charge at the San Francisco meeting to indicate an extremely selfish and disinterested attitude with respect to the carrying out of the instructions of the Bureau in the May 22nd bulletin.

The obvious proof of the desirability of contacts such as those indicated is that the Bureau has noted in various parts of the country a growing tendency upon the part of certain organizations to develop programs of their own looking toward the seeking of information in the national defense field and the taking into their own hands of investigative functions with regard to such information. Obviously, the only way to defeat the setting up of vigilante groups of this kind is to see to it that these civic organizations clearly understand the President's request that information concerning national defense matters be transmitted to the Federal Bureau of Investigation and that they not be handled or investigated by private groups or agencies. This was the main purport of the Bureau's instructions with respect to contacts with civic and patriotic organizations. The national defense work cannot possibly be handled by the Bureau without the assistance of state and local law enforcement agencies and without the wholehearted cooperation of patriotic groups which are able to mobilize their resources and personnel and to cooperate with the Bureau whenever it is necessary or desirable for them to do so. The bulletin clearly pointed out that in making the contacts an opportunity would be afforded to acquaint these groups with what the Bureau is doing in the national defense field and with the various facilities which the Bureau can make available to state and local agencies, which, in turn, are advantageous to state and local communities.

Furthermore, I desire to again invite your attention to the efforts on the part of agencies of the Treasury Department in recent months to attempt to coordinate state and local law enforcement cooperation. If the Bureau is to retain its place as the coordinating investigative agency in the national defense field, in line with the expressed desires of the President, it is imperative that every opportunity be

Mr. R. D. Hood

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seized upon to acquaint the public with our responsibility, jurisdiction and scope of activity.

I cannot too strongly indicate my official and personal amazement at the manner in which these instructions were interpreted by the Bureau officials in attendance at the San Francisco meeting.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover
Director

Federal Bureau of Investigation
United States Department of Justice
Los Angeles, California
July 5, 1941.

Mr. Tolson	✓
Mr. E. A. Tamm	✓
Mr. Clegg	✓
Mr. Foxworth	✓
Mr. Glavin	✓
Mr. Ladd	✓
Mr. Nichols	✓
Mr. Rosen	✓
Mr. Carson	✓
Mr. Drayton	✓
Mr. Quinn Tamm	✓
Mr. Hendon	✓
Mr. Tracy	✓

AIR MAIL SPECIAL DELIVERY

Director,
Federal Bureau of Investigation,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

I have carefully noted the contents of your letter of June 16, 1941, with reference to the conference of Special Agents in Charge held at San Francisco on May 27, 1941. I regret that you find it necessary to express your displeasure at the expressions of those present with reference to the instructions contained in Bureau bulletin to the field of May 22, 1941.

There has never been an attempt on my part to deliberately misinterpret any instructions that the Bureau has given me, and such was not the case in this instance. The purpose of the instructions in the bulletin to the field of May 22, 1941, is perfectly clear and to me the means of accomplishing it is very clear.

I feel that the approach to Chambers of Commerce and other similar organizations does amount to begging for the opportunity of making talks to these organizations. The conference offered the opportunity to express a candid opinion concerning this particular program, and the Bureau has always encouraged the expression of such opinions on the part of employees. My opinion, even if wrong, was given honestly and sincerely, and I am sure you are aware of the fact that I do not take the easy way out in handling any matters which the Bureau entrusts to me. The personal sacrifices which I have made in the past and I am more than willing to make in the future do not indicate a selfish and disinterested attitude.

You may expect my full compliance with the instructions contained in your bulletin of May 22, 1941.

Very truly yours,

R. B. HOOD,
Special Agent in Charge.

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July 9, 1941

Mr. R. B. Hood
Federal Bureau of Investigation
U. S. Department of Justice
900 Security Building
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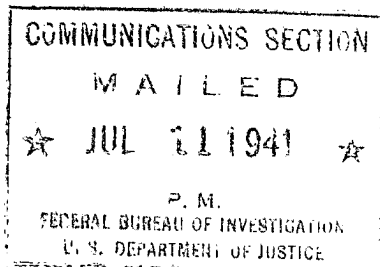
Dear Sir:

Your letter of July 5, 1941, with further reference to the conference of Special Agents in Charge at San Francisco in May, has been received.

Your letter does not cover the Bureau's communication to you. It would seem to be unnecessary in issuing instructions to experienced Bureau officials to point out that they must be given an intelligent and common-sense interpretation. Obviously, it was not the intention of the Bureau in its instructions of May 22nd that Special Agents in Charge should seek to make speaking engagements before small and unimportant groups, or that they should accept invitations to make addresses to the extent this would interfere with the handling of their regular duties. It was the Bureau's intention that it would be highly desirable for field officials to contact reputable citizens groups for the purpose of acquainting them with the Bureau's position in the National Defense field and in seeing that no unauthorized groups or agencies enter into any investigation of National Defense matters.

The Bureau is very much disappointed with the manner in which these instructions were interpreted by you and the other officials in attendance at the San Francisco meeting.

Mr. Tolson _____
Mr. E. A. Tamm _____
Mr. Clegg _____
Mr. Foxworth _____
Mr. Glavin _____
Mr. Ladd _____
Mr. Nichols _____
Mr. Rosen _____
Mr. Carson _____
Mr. Quinn Tamm _____
Mr. Hendon _____
Mr. Tracy _____
Miss Gandy _____



Very truly yours,

J. Edgar Hoover

John Edgar Hoover
Director

RE: NEW

July 9, 1941

PERSONAL AND
CONFIDENTIAL

Mr. R. B. Hood
Federal Bureau of Investigation
U. S. Department of Justice
500 Security Building
Los Angeles, California

Dear Sir:

Your attention is invited to the fact that it is absolutely essential you complete the Bureau's accounting course not later than November 1, 1941.

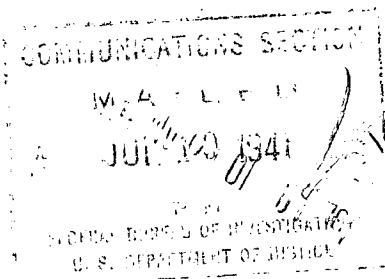
Notwithstanding my letter of April 16, 1941, not one accounting lesson has been received from you subsequent to that date.

I would like to know whether you contemplate submitting accounting lessons in the immediate future in order to complete the course by November 1, 1941.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover
Director

Mr. Tolson _____
Mr. E. A. Tamm _____
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Los Angeles, California
July 15, 1941.

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Director,
Federal Bureau of Investigation,
Washington, D. C.

RE: GENERAL R. H. VAN DEUSEN.

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to the telephonic conversation with Assistant to the Director E. A. TAMM, and to your communication of July 10, 1941, with reference to the letter received by you from General R. H. VAN DEUSEN, of San Diego, on July 4, 1941, in which he makes reference to the fact that his letter to me of June 17th had not been acknowledged by me.

In accordance with the instructions, I talked with the General later that day at length, and he was most friendly and cordial. During the conversation, he stated that he had been very busy and was not able to answer the Director's letter promptly, and used as one excuse that he had not heard from me. From the way he stated this, it was obvious that he was using this as an excuse rather than stating it as a directed criticism of me. From his conversation it was obvious that he is not in the least antagonized by not having received a written reply from me.

I have always realized the value of the support and friendship of General VAN DEUSEN, and have gone out of my way to maintain it, and as you have been informed, have frequent telephonic communication with him to keep up the friendship and keep in touch with several situations with which he is familiar. I will redouble my efforts to maintain the most friendly relationship with him.

Very truly yours,

R. B. HOOD,
Special Agent in Charge.

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July 10, 1941

Time: 2:00 P.M.

THE DIRECTOR

R. B. No. 1

I called Special Agent in Charge Hood at Los Angeles, advising him we had received a long letter from General Van Deman in which he stated he had been waiting to acknowledge the Director's letter until he had received a response from Mr. Hood to his letter of June 17 and that, although he had not yet received such response, he believed it unwise to wait longer. I inquired concerning the reason for the failure to acknowledge General Van Deman's letter, and Mr. Hood stated he had talked telephonically to the General about the middle of last week and considered this conversation an acknowledgment of the letter of June 17. Mr. Hood stated that, as he had advised the Bureau previously, General Van Deman believed General Miles had misunderstood Miss Kerr and that the General thought Mr. Hood had told Miss Kerr it was not necessary for her to go through anyone in order to furnish information to the Bureau but should communicate directly with Mr. Hood in Los Angeles. Mr. Hood stated that the General was satisfied this matter had been cleared up and, for this reason, there appeared to be no purpose in acknowledging General Van Deman's letter.

I told Mr. Hood that he should have acknowledged the letter, even though it may have been a formal acknowledgment. I told him to call General Van Deman today, advising him that he, Hood, had been in communication with the Bureau at Washington; that some concern had been expressed over the failure to acknowledge his letter; that he, Hood, did not mean to overlook the General's letter but had thought their telephone conversation served as an acknowledgment. I told Mr. Hood to further advise General Van Deman that the Department has authorized us to accept the files of Miss Kerr in the event any disposition is ever made of them.

Mr. Tolson _____

Mr. E. A. Tamm _____

Mr. Clegg _____

Mr. Foxworth _____

Mr. Ladd _____

Mr. Glavin _____

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Edward A. Tamm

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U. S. DEPT. OF JUSTICE
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
WASHINGTON, D. C. 20535

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July 10, 1941

Mr. A. S. Hood
Federal Bureau of Investigation
U. S. Department of Justice
900 Security Building
Los Angeles, California

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R. B. Hood

Dear Sir:

I am in receipt of a letter from General Van Deman dated July 4, 1941, in which he makes reference to the fact that the letter which he addressed to you on June 17, 1941, had not been acknowledged by you. While I have been advised by Mr. Tamm of his telephonic conversation with you in which you indicated that because you held a telephonic conversation with General Van Deman subsequent to the receipt of his letter of June 17th in which the contents thereof were discussed, I do not believe you were justified in your failure to acknowledge the General's letter. As you undoubtedly know, I admire General Van Deman tremendously and have been most anxious, as has been indicated to you, to maintain his good will, his sympathy, support and friendship. I cannot understand, therefore, why you would take a chance on antagonizing him by failure to acknowledge a letter when such action on your part would require so little effort.

The statements attributed to you by Miss Kerr, even though they were not as pictured by her, have apparently caused some feeling on the part of General Van Deman, which feeling I am of course anxious to eradicate as promptly and as thoroughly as possible. I am consequently very annoyed at the fact that you have created a situation by your failure to acknowledge General Van Deman's letter, which situation will undoubtedly cause some delay in the reaching of a complete understanding with him.

Very truly

John Edgar Hoover
Director

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Mr.
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Mr. Richard B. Hood

Date July 26, 1941

New appointment ☐

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Promotion ☒

Separation ☐

PRESENT STATUS

1. Title: Special Agent

2. Grade:

CAF 13

3. Salary: \$6600 per annum

4. Seat of Government:
Field:

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5. Division:

6. Appropriation:

"Salaries and Expenses,
FBI. (National Defense)"

PROPOSED ACTION

7. Title: Special Agent

8. Grade:

CAF 14

9. Salary: \$6500 per annum

10. Seat of Government:
Field:

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11. Division:

12. Appropriation:

"Salaries and Expenses,
FBI. (National Defense)"

13. Effective: August 1, 1941

14. Position:

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Identical:

15. Remarks:

Respectfully submitted,

CC: Chief, Audit Section

Director, Federal Bureau of Investigation

(Title)

Mr. Tolson _____
Mr. E. A. Tamm _____
Mr. Clegg _____
Mr. Foxworth _____
Mr. Glavin _____
Mr. Ladd _____
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Federal Bureau of Investigation
United States Department of Justice
July 14, 1941.
Los Angeles, California

Director,
Federal Bureau of Investigation,
Washington, D. C.

RE: ACCOUNTING LESSONS.

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to your communication of July 9, 1941, with reference to my submitting accounting lessons in accordance with Bureau instructions that they be completed by November 1, 1941.

It is my contemplation to submit these accounting lessons at the earliest possible date, and every attempt is being made for me to do so.

Very truly yours,


R. B. HOOD,
Special Agent in Charge.

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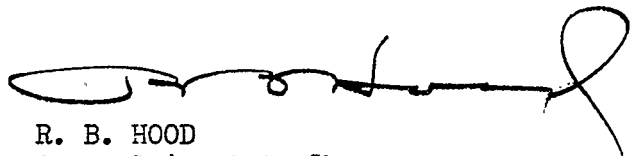
Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation
U. S. Department of Justice
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

This is to advise you that I have not at any time advocated the overthrow of the Government of the United States by force or by violence.

I am not now, nor have I been a member of any organization that advocates the overthrow of the Government of the United States by force or by violence.

Very truly yours,



R. B. HOOD
Special Agent in Charge

Subscribed and duly sworn to before me by the above-named person, this 15th day of April, 1941,
at city of Los Angeles, county of Los Angeles,
and State (or Territory or District) of California



NOTARY PUBLIC FOR CALIFORNIA
My Commission Expires May 24, 1944

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

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To: COMMUNICATIONS SECTION.

JULY 2, 1941

Transmit the following message to:

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
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August 2, 1941

Mr. Richard B. Hood
Federal Bureau of Investigation
United States Department of Justice
900 Security Building
Los Angeles, California

Dear Mr. Hood:

It is with pleasure that I am enclosing a letter from the Attorney General advising you of your promotion from \$5600 per annum in Grade CAF 13, to \$6500 per annum in Grade CAF 14, effective August 1, 1941.

Sincerely yours,

J. Edgar Hoover

John Edgar Hoover
Director

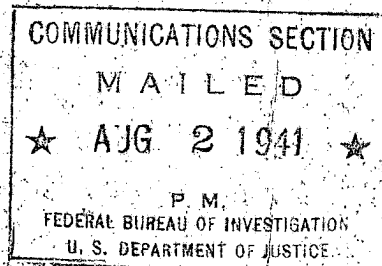
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DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
WASHINGTON, D. C.

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July 26, 1941

Mr. Richard B. Hood
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Department of Justice

Dear Mr. Hood:

You are hereby transferred from one position to another in
the Federal Bureau of Investigation as indicated:

From

Position: Special Agent
Assignment: Field
Grade: Caf-13 Salary: \$5600 per annum
Appropriation: "Salaries and Expenses, Federal Bureau of
Investigation (National Defense)," FIELD

To

Position: Special Agent
Assignment: Field
Grade: Caf-14 Salary: \$6500 per annum
Appropriation: "Salaries and Expenses, Federal Bureau of
Investigation (National Defense)," FIELD
Effective: August 1, 1941.

Respectfully,

(signed) Nathan C. Hale

Acting Attorney General.

By the Attorney General:

The Assistant to the Attorney General.

Additional position

file
R. B. Hood
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Federal Bureau of Investigation
United States Department of Justice
Washington, D. C.

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September 2, 1941

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

During the recent Special Agents in Charge conference I attempted to evaluate the individual Agents in Charge in attendance, and thought you would be interested in the results of this evaluation. The grading was upon the basis of the Agents in Charge demeanor, the questions they asked, the suggestions offered and all other items coming within my observation during the period of the conference:

CLASS I. Special Agents in Charge of outstanding ability, high enthusiasm, excellent experience and conscientious:

Pieper, N. J. L.

Hood, R. B.

CLASS II. High-class, capable, serious-minded, hardworking Agents in Charge - good appearance:

Cornelius, A.
Shivers, R. L.
Conroy, E. E.
Peterson, V. W.
Soucy, E. A.

Clegg, J. Ellis
Brantley, D.
Fletcher, H. B.
Guerin, R. A.

CLASS III. Agents in Charge of average ability, no outstanding traits or characteristics, "run of the mill":

Banister, W. G.
Madigan, J. T.
Hammack, F. R.
Guinane, E. P.
Scheidt, E.
Suran, R. C.
Boardman, L. V.
Kitchin, A. P.
Dalton, J. L.
Bugas, J. S.

Bryce, D. A.
Abbatichio, R. J.
Wyly, P.
Crowl, A. H.
Morley, Dean
Murphy, W. A.
Vincent, J. W.
Kuhnel, E. E.
Danner, R. G.
O'Connor, H. T.

MEMO FOR THE DIRECTOR

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Sept. 2, 1941.

<u>CLASS III.</u>	Sackett, B. E.	Van Pelt, H. C.
(cont.)	Sears, J. F.	Gleason, R. F.
	Thornton, J. E.	McKee, S. K.
	Hardy, S. W.	Drayton, S. J.

CLASS IV. Below average - shallow and not generally up to the Bureau standards of a satisfactory Agent in Charge:

Newman, J. C.	Stein, C. W.
Duffey, H. R.	Hallford, F.
Nicholson, G. A.	Moss, H. K.
Swenson, J. D.	Anderson, H. E.
Cook, L. K.	Hennrich, C. E.
McCormack, D. L.	Norris, G. B.
Johnson, A. H.	Ruggles, J. R.
McFarlin, M. W.	Hanni, W.

Respectfully,

Edward A. Tamm

RICHARD B. HOOD
900 SECURITY BUILDING
LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA

August 11, 1941.

Mr. Tolson	✓
Mr. E. A. Tamm	✓
Mr. Clegg	
Mr. Foxworth	
Mr. Glavin	✓
Mr. Ladd	
Mr. Nichols	
Mr. Rosen	
Mr. Carson	
Mr. Drayton	
Mr. Quinn Tamm	
Mr. Hendon	
Mr. Tracy	
Miss Gandy	

Mr. John Edgar Hoover,
Director,
Federal Bureau of Investigation,
U. S. Department of Justice,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Hoover:

I want to express my appreciation
to you for the raise in salary which I received on
August 1, 1941.

The work has increased heavily here,
as have my responsibilities, and I am endeavoring to
devote every possible moment to my work, and I appreciate
the recognition that you have given me for this.

You may be assured that I will continue
to devote all of my energies to serving you and the Bureau.

With very best wishes,

Sincerely,

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September 29, 1941

Mr. E. B. Hood
Federal Bureau of Investigation
U. S. Department of Justice
900 Security Building
Los Angeles, California

Dear Dick:

The Attorney General has told me how kind you were to him and in this connection I thought you would like to have the attached copy of a letter which I have just received expressing his appreciation for your assistance. From all reports you did a grand job and I know the General appreciated everything that was done for him.

With best wishes and kind regards,

Sincerely yours,

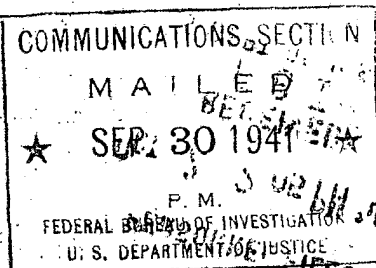
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**Federal Bureau of Investigation
United States Department of Justice**

New York, N. Y.
September 14, 1941

Personal and Confidential:

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR.

R. B. Hood

**RELATIVE STANDING OF THE
SPECIAL AGENTS IN CHARGE**

As requested I have endeavored to group the various Special Agents in Charge according to their relative standing and ability, considering their investigative and executive possibilities. In the various groups I have endeavored to give each a numerical relative standing, however in many instances there is very little choice as between them based upon my knowledge and opinion of them.

As to the employees who would be of the calibre to handle the entire New York situation, Mr. Nathan would present the only possibility. As to Mr. Nathan, however, I believe he would be eliminated by reason of his age and the difficult job necessary from a physical stand point as well as the other problems. This also determined the placing of him third on the list.

My listing is attached herewith.

Respectfully submitted,

/s/ E. J. Connelley

E. J. Connelley,
Assistant Director.

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THE ATTORNEY GENERAL
WASHINGTON

September 25, 1941

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Dear Mr. Hoover:

I want to thank you for the courtesies extended to Mrs. Biddle and me by the various FBI agents on our trip. It made every difference in our comfort. *|| SAC Hood ||*

In Los Angeles, Dick Hood put himself at my disposal; and the following week was kind enough to drive me to Yosemite, where I spoke before the American Bar Association.

You certainly have a most admirable personnel of young men.

Sincerely yours,



Francis Biddle

Honorable J. Edgar Hoover

Director, Federal Bureau of Investigation

Department of Justice

San Francisco, California
October 11, 1941

Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Washington, D. C.

Re: California Peace Officers'
Association Meeting at Santa
Rosa, California.

Dear Sir:

A full and complete report covering this convention will be submitted by Special Agents in Charge Hood and Pieper; however, I wanted to inform you that it was a very interesting and instructive meeting from a police officer's standpoint. It was well attended. There were over 200 registered for the meeting, and there was an absolute lack of any Secret Service or Treasury Department employees.

However, Captain Thomas E. Foster, of the Secret Service in San Francisco, came in last night about 6 P. M. just before the business meeting adjourned. He was not on the program but was introduced and talked for about three minutes. His talk was that he brought the greetings of his Chief, Frank Wilson, of the Secret Service, whose father was a Buffalo policeman for 30 years, and that he wanted to express Wilson's thanks and his own for the assistance and cooperation rendered to the Secret Service.

My talk was very well received by the entire meeting, and the ones who did not inform me of their pleasure did talk to Agents in Charge Hood and Pieper. I was able to make several excellent contacts during this convention. Any information pertaining to the northern or southern district of California that I received I turned over to Agents in Charge Hood and Pieper.

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Director

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Re: California Peace Officers'
Association Meeting at Santa
Rosa, California.

I did want to say also that I feel that both of these Agents in Charge did an excellent job at the convention. They were on their toes every minute, and at least 50 of the officers present spoke to me about the excellent job that both of these Agents in Charge are doing in their districts, and I feel that the statements made to me were true, because they were continually mixing with the police officers and were known to practically all of them by their first names.

Respectfully,

J. S. ETAN
Inspector

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AIR MAIL

**Federal Bureau of Investigation
United States Department of Justice**

Los Angeles, California
September 24, 1941

Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

Re: SELECTIVE SERVICE

It has come to my attention that the number of complaints of violations of the Selective Training and Service Act referred to this office by local law enforcement agencies has been increasing over a period of several weeks.

It has been the practice of such agencies in making routing investigations of vagrants and suspicious characters to ascertain whether such individuals have Selective Service registration cards in their possession. Persons who do not have these cards are booked for violation of Selective Service and this office is notified. Usually it is necessary that the prisoner be interviewed by an Agent in order that sufficient data be obtained to determine, either by checking with the appropriate Local Board or by requesting investigation by another Field Office, whether the Subject actually registered for Selective Service.

It is requested that the Bureau consider the advisability of approving a form similar to the one enclosed. I believe that the use of such a form by law enforcement agencies would facilitate the proper and expedite handling of these cases.

Law enforcement agencies in outlying districts appear reluctant to arrest persons who have no registration cards in their possession. In all probability this reluctance would rapidly be overcome if copies of a form similar to the one enclosed were supplied to these agencies and their use encouraged by the Field Offices.

Very truly yours,

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R. B. HOOD

Special Agent in Charge

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FORM TO BE FILLED OUT
FOR ALL PRISONERS BOOKED
AS SELECTIVE SERVICE VIOLATORS
(Failure to Have Registration Card)

1. Name and Aliases _____
2. Address _____
3. Name Used When Registering (IMPORTANT) _____
4. Address Given When Registering (IMPORTANT) _____
5. Location and Number of Local Board Where Registered _____
6. Selective Service Classification _____
7. Date of Arrest _____ Charge _____
8. Booking Number _____
9. Date and Place of Birth _____
10. Description:
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Eyes _____ Hair _____
Scars or Marks _____
Race _____ Citizenship _____
Occupation _____ Marital Status _____
11. Felony Convictions _____
12. Army or Navy Service _____
13. Remarks _____

This form should be filled out and mailed or information therein telephoned
to FBI, _____ (Address) _____, Telephone _____.

When telephoning, please ask for _____.

66 7054-26-5 Submitted by _____
Address _____

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January 23, 1942

Mr. A. S. Hood
Federal Bureau of Investigation
United States Department of Justice
900 Security Building
Los Angeles, California

Dear Mr. Hood:

I have just returned to the city and I wanted to confirm the message which I directed Mr. Tamm orally to convey to you by telephone - namely, my extreme displeasure at your failure to maintain properly the relationship between your office and those of the Military and Naval Intelligence services.

I refer specifically to the complaint which has been registered by Colonel L. Forney, in charge of the San Francisco, allegedly predicated upon a telegram addressed to Colonel Forney by Captain S. L. Canoga, in charge of the Eleventh Naval District, San Diego, California. The substance of this complaint is that the Federal Bureau of Investigation has not and is not properly covering the espionage and counter-espionage fields in the western theatre of operations. I have consistently and persistently instructed you, in writing and verbally, that I desire to have this situation thoroughly covered and that appropriate relations be maintained with the Military and Naval Intelligence services so as to determine any facts pertinent for our information in the performance of our responsibility in connection with these National Defense matters in your area. In the past there have been a number of instances wherein either Military Intelligence or Naval Intelligence - usually the former - has complained about the lack of proper cooperation and coordination in the Pacific Coast area. As I have indicated, I cannot understand why you have failed in this matter if you made diligent effort to comply with my previous instructions and directions.

Mr. Tolson

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The situation as now exists is extremely embarrassing to this office. The importance of the strategic position of the Pacific Coast need not be emphasized. The importance and necessity for the full and proper performance of your duties as a Special Agent in Charge in that area need not be repeated. The fact is that Colonel Forney and Captain Canaga are on record with General DeWitt and with the War and Navy Departments in Washington that the FBI has failed and is failing in the proper performance of its primary responsibilities incident to the espionage and counter-espionage activities on the Pacific Coast. It is a further fact that these complaints were made and filed without your knowledge. The first intimation which this Bureau had that such action had been taken by Military and Naval Intelligence on the Pacific Coast was at the weekly Intelligence Conference held on Wednesday of this week at Washington, D. C. The representatives of this Bureau at that conference were stunned when this matter was presented: first, because it had been our assumption that the situation had been fully and adequately covered in line with our instructions to you; and second, because we had no advance information that any displeasure or complaint was being evidenced by the respective officers of the Military and Naval Intelligence services on the Pacific Coast. In either event you have miserably failed. If it be a fact that your office has not properly covered the espionage and counter-espionage fields as indicated by Colonel Forney and Captain Canaga, then you have been grossly derelict in the performance of your duty. If, on the other hand, neither Colonel Forney nor Captain Canaga can support by factual information their complaint, you have been equally derelict in not having maintained appropriate contacts and relationship with the Military Intelligence and Naval Intelligence services in your area, so as to know in advance the development of any such condition from which complaints of this type could be made. If you had maintained the proper relationship with the intelligence officers of the Army and Navy upon the Pacific Coast, you should have known some weeks ago that such a complaint was brewing and you should have taken steps to have nailed down or to have disproved the allegations made or to have taken steps to correct any gaps in coverage.

Mr. R. B. Hood

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I have been depending upon you to represent properly this Bureau and me, both officially and personally in the handling of these matters in your district, and you have failed me completely. I do not know what substantiation there is to the complaints of Colonel Forney and Captain Canaga, but if they be without substance I cannot understand then why either Colonel Forney or Captain Canaga, individually or collectively, would take it upon himself to register such a serious complaint against your administration without first at least indicating to you his dissatisfaction with the way the work of the FBI was being handled in your division and along the Pacific Coast.

I want you immediately to call upon the Military and Naval Intelligence authorities in your division for substantiation of the complaints which they have made. I don't want any generalities to be indulged in, but I want specific instances which will support their contention that the Federal Bureau of Investigation has not and is not now properly performing its function in connection with the handling of National Defense matters in the Pacific Coast area. You will obtain this information at once and forward it to me by air mail, special delivery.

Very truly yours,

Identical letter to:

SAC Pieper, San Francisco
SAC Nathan, San Diego

AIR MAIL - SPECIAL DELIVERY

JEH:HCB

January 26, 1942

Mr. R. B. Hood
Federal Bureau of Investigation
United States Department of Justice
900 Security Building
Los Angeles, California

SAC ~~ATHAN~~
SAC ~~PIPER~~

Dear Mr. Hood:

I am in receipt of your communication of January 24, 1942, "Re: Army and Navy Intelligence." I note copies of your communication to me were forwarded to the SAC's at San Francisco and San Diego.

I note that in your concluding paragraph you state that you are certain the Agents in Charge at Los Angeles, San Francisco and San Diego have endeavored to maintain the relationship which they knew the Bureau must have and that it is believed when the entire facts are developed on this particular situation it will be shown that a continuous effort has been made to handle the intelligence officers to my satisfaction.

I can very definitely state to you that the Military and Naval Intelligence relationship has not at all been handled to my satisfaction by the Special Agents in Charge at Los Angeles, San Francisco, and San Diego.

It would appear that all of the facts in this unfortunate situation have been fully explored and ascertained. Briefly, they consist of the fact that Colonel Forney, MID at San Francisco, addressed a communication to General Van Dusen at San Diego, in which in substance

Colonel Forney stated that the FBI was not adequately covering nor was it qualified to cover the espionage and counter-espionage activities, for the reason that (1) Agents were not properly trained; and (2) because of rules and regulations; and (3) because of legal technicalities. General Van Dusen showed this communication

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to Captain Canaga, CMI, at San Diego, who in turn prepared a memorandum for the Admiral of the Navy at San Diego. Captain Canaga's memorandum in substance reiterated what Colonel Forney had written to General Van Heman and expressed the substance as being the opinion of Captain Canaga also. The Army Liaison officer at San Diego obtained a copy of Captain Canaga's memorandum to the Admiral and transmitted it to the Army headquarters at Los Angeles, which in turn transmitted Captain Canaga's memorandum to General DeWitt at San Francisco. Colonel Forney, securing Captain Canaga's memorandum at San Francisco, addressed a communication to the G-2 headquarters at Washington, expressing the views which he had previously expressed to General Van Heman, and indicating concurrence therein by Captain Canaga of CMI. Colonel Forney also by telephone covered the situation orally with Colonel Bissell of G-2 at the Washington headquarters of the War Department.

At no time, in any of these extended communications, and conversations, was any SAC of the FBI at Los Angeles, San Francisco or San Diego informed of the developments or in any respect cognizant of them. I cannot help reaching the conclusion that if the proper relationship had existed and the proper contacts had been maintained with the MID and CMI upon the Pacific Coast, the developments in this situation would have reached the attention of some one of the SAC's. This did not occur. The first knowledge which the Washington headquarters of the Bureau had in this matter was when it was formally presented to the Bureau by the Military Intelligence Division at Washington.

Colonel Forney's action has since been repudiated by General DeWitt, Commanding Officer, but the fact remains that Colonel Forney, MID, and Captain Canaga, CMI, have expressed in writing their belief that the FBI has not and is not properly covering the espionage and counter-espionage work, and is not qualified to do so. I do not know what you discuss at the weekly intelligence conferences which you hold with representatives of MID and CMI, but it would certainly seem to me that one of the most elementary things to cover would be to ascertain whether there is any disagreement or

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dissatisfaction with the work being performed by each other. The intelligence conferences are not to be social gatherings or merely for the exchange of compliments. They are to explore definitely any weaknesses or gaps in operations and this obviously has not been done by the SAC's upon the Pacific Coast.

In sum and substance, the situation boils itself down to either of the following:

Colonel Forney and Captain Canaga are correct in their statements relative to the inefficiency and inadequacy of the FBI upon the Pacific Coast. If this be true, then the SAC's in this Bureau have not properly performed their investigative functions. I have consistently and repeatedly endeavored to impress upon the SAC's on the Pacific Coast that it is their primary responsibility to see that all phases and aspects of the espionage, counter-espionage, sabotage, and subversive activities are thoroughly and adequately covered and manned by this Bureau. If you have failed to carry out my orders in this respect, as is indicated by the complaints of Colonel Forney and Captain Canaga, then you have failed to perform properly your duties as an SAC in investigative matters.

If, on the other hand, Colonel Forney and Captain Canaga have made allegations that are not true, then I am at a loss to understand why the first knowledge of this comes to me after formal protest has been filed with their superiors in Washington, and not through the medium of the regional intelligence conferences which you are supposed to hold and at which you are supposed to explore the coverage situation thoroughly. As indicated, in any event you have failed to meet the responsibilities that have been placed upon you, either in effecting proper coverage of the situation, or in establishing the proper relationship that would bring to your attention first any difficulties in operations or in the system.

Mr. R. B. Hood

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It is imperative, as long as this Bureau has the primary responsibility in these matters, that you assume the regional responsibility for this in your district, and further, that you specifically nail down any allegations made by MID or ONI and demand specific proof and instances of difficulties or derelictions upon the part of the FBI. The Bureau is going to be judged by the results obtained - not by the exchange of compliments or a lot of honeyed words at intelligence conferences. If anything goes wrong in this situation, the FBI is responsible and you as Agent in Charge of your division will be directly responsible for any break-down, either in the investigative coverage or in the maintenance of proper relationship with MID and ONI as to know of any dissatisfaction or criticism with the work of the FBI.

Very truly yours

John Edgar Hoover
Director

cc - SAC Nathan, San Diego
cc - SAC Pieper, San Francisco
cc - Inspector Gurnee, San Francisco

(with copy Mr. Hood's letter 1-24-42)

AIR MAIL - SPECIAL DELIVERY

JOHN EDGAR HOOVER
DIRECTOR



Federal Bureau of Investigation
United States Department of Justice
Washington, D. C.

January 31, 1942

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MEMORANDUM FOR MR. *Kruger*

RE: ROBERT NOBLE, et al
Internal Security

Mr. Tolson _____
Mr. E. A. Tamm _____
Mr. Clegg _____
Mr. Glavin _____
Mr. Ladd _____
Mr. Nichols _____
Mr. Tracy _____
Mr. Rosen _____
Mr. Carson _____
Mr. Coffey _____
Mr. Hendon _____
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Miss Boehm _____
Miss Gandy _____

In connection with the \$300 which Jones alleged had disappeared, SAC Hood of the Los Angeles Office telephonically advised me, while talking about another matter, that Jones apparently desires to enter suit against him, Hood. His lawyer, however, told him that he should see him at his office on Tuesday morning before anything was done.

I asked Mr. Hood if he had received any information with reference to the handling of this case. He stated that he had a letter indicating that it will be taken before the Grand Jury on Wednesday and that he would try to contact the U. S. Attorney in an effort to get some action before the case is taken before that Jury. He advised that he would keep the Bureau informed of any developments.

Respectfully,

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Los Angeles, California
February 19, 1942

Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Washington, D.C.

W. C. Ford

Re: ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS

Dear Sir:

With reference to the handling of incoming mail in Bureau Field Divisions, the following suggestions were prepared and submitted to me by Special Agent A. P. WELLS of this office, and are forwarded to the Bureau for consideration.

The plan has special reference to copies of reports received from other Field Divisions and if approved, would eliminate the necessity of searching the indices every time a report is received. It is estimated that the services of one clerk, now spending his entire day at mail searching, could be utilized in other file room work. In addition, these reports would not be delayed for searching purposes and could immediately be routed to the Agent's desk for attention. The workings of this plan can best be set forth by examples.

Assuming that the Los Angeles Field Division is origin in a particular case and the Los Angeles File number is 100-0000, a report is written and investigative leads are set out for the Chicago Field Division. When the Chicago Field Division prepares the RUC report, the Los Angeles report will be referenced in the usual manner and in the usual place. However, in the space provided for "Copies of this Report", the following will appear:

5 - Bureau
2 - Los Angeles (100-0000)
2 - Chicago

When Los Angeles receives this report, the copies can immediately be attached to the file and routed to the Agent and no searching is necessary. The Agent dictating the RUC report in Chicago will have picked up the file number shown above from the upper right hand corner of the Los Angeles Field Division report. If leads had been set out for six other offices, all RUC reports would come back to the Los Angeles Office with the file number set out.

Director

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Re: ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS

Advancing one step further, the Chicago Field Division finds that investigative leads must be set out for the Butte Field Division in its RUC report. The copies would be designated as follows:

- 5 - Bureau
- 2 - Los Angeles (100-9030)
- 2 - Butte
- 2 - Chicago

When the RUC report is prepared at Butte, and assuming that for good reasons one copy for information is designated for the Chicago Field Division, the Agent would designate copies as follows:

- 5 - Bureau
- 2 - Los Angeles (100-0000)
- 1 - Chicago - Inf. (100-0000)
- 2 - Butte

The Agent obtained the Chicago file number from the report received from the Chicago Field Division and the Los Angeles file number from the lower left hand corner of the same report. The Los Angeles and Chicago Field Divisions receiving copies of this report can immediately pull the file and route it with the reports to the Agent. No index search is necessary.

This procedure can be followed by all offices where copies are designated for another office and the file number of that office is available in the file. No special effort is required on the part of the Agent dictating the report inasmuch as he has the file before him at the time of dictation and need only refer to the reports in that file for those file numbers.

In very rare instances index cards are misfiled or typographical errors on the index card results in the inability by the searching clerk to locate the subject file number. This makes it necessary for a clerk to spend considerable time in searching through the file room for the subject file or trying different spellings of the Subject's name in an effort to locate the proper file. The presence of file numbers as indicated above would eliminate this situation.

Director

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Re: ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS

It should also be noted that in many instances where Subjects have common names, several files have to be attached to the incoming report by the clerk so that the Agent can associate the incoming report with the proper file. If the file number was set out as indicated above, this would be unnecessary.

Although every effort is made by Field Offices to search mail through the indices as quickly as possible so that the reports can be routed to the Agents without delay, yet, on occasions the volume of mail is great and several days elapse before the report is searched and the file with the report routed to the Agent. The above plan would greatly reduce the amount of mail that has to be searched.

Although the Bureau may not deem it advisable to institute such a plan for permanent use, nevertheless, it is suggested that the possibility of instituting this plan as a temporary measure be considered in view of the great volume of correspondence between Field Offices brought about by the National emergency and the necessity for speeding up this phase of our work.

Very truly yours,

R. B. HOOD
Special Agent in Charge

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January 22, 1942

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. JAMES ROWE, JR.
THE ASSISTANT TO THE ATTORNEY GENERAL

It was very kind of you to write me as you did on January 19, 1942, and I was happy to receive your reaction pertaining to Special Agents in Charge Pieper and Hood in San Francisco and Los Angeles.

Very truly yours,

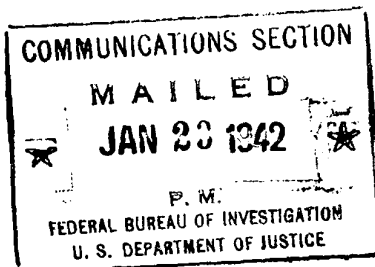
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JAMES ROWE, JR.
ASSISTANT TO THE ATTORNEY GENERAL

January 19, 1942

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MEMORANDUM FOR J. EDGAR HOOVER.

As I think you know, I spent several days in California discussing the general alien enemy problem with the Army. I have been dilatory in expressing my appreciation of the kindness which the field office of the Federal Bureau of Investigation showed me. I was particularly appreciative because I knew that whatever time the agents spent with me had to be made up by them at the other end of the day and, particularly in these times, they have been extremely busy.

I did not spend much time with Mr. Hood. However, I saw Mr. Pieper almost continuously; in fact he participated in all the negotiations with General DeWitt and his staff. I do not attempt, of course, to pass on Mr. Pieper's technical ability in his field. However, I think you would like to know that from the point of view of an outsider like myself, I was amazed by his grasp of the general situation, and particularly by his skill in negotiation. Also he had the complete confidence of General DeWitt and the Military Intelligence Officers, and his judgment seemed to be accepted without question.

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I do not recall having ever in the past written such a memorandum about a Federal employee, but Mr. Pieper's ability was so unusual, and he was so helpful to me that I should give him whatever credit I can.

J H R

James Rowe, Jr.

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February 9, 1942

Mrs. Gertrude I. George
1000 South Grand Avenue
Los Angeles, California

Dear Mrs. George:

I have your letter of January 30, 1942, with the enclosed letter from Mrs. DuBois, and I appreciate your interest in bringing to my attention her letter concerning her husband's application for a position with the FBI. I want to assure you that his application will be given every consideration.

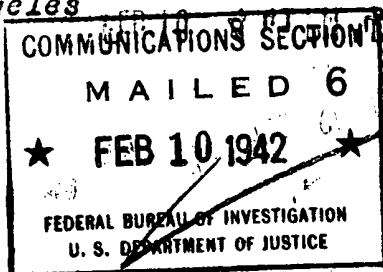
It is good to receive your commendation concerning the work of Mr. M. B. Hood, Special Agent in Charge of our Los Angeles office, and I am grateful for your desire to cooperate with this Bureau wherever possible. Your support of our activities is a source of encouragement to me, and I hope we will always have your confidence.

With best wishes and kind regards,

Sincerely yours,

Mr. Tolson _____
Mr. E. A. Tamm _____
Mr. Clegg _____
Mr. Glavin _____
Mr. Ladd _____
Mr. Nichols _____
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cc: Los Angeles



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Gertrude I. George

FOUNDER AND DIRECTOR
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1009 SO. GRAND AVENUE
LOS ANGELES

January 30, 1942

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Mr. E. A. Tamm	
Mr. Clegg	
Mr. Glavin	
Mr. Ladd	✓
Mr. Nichols	
Mr. Tracy	
Mr. Carson	
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Miss Gandy	

Director J. Edgar Hoover,
Federal Bureau of Investigation,
United States Department of Justice,
Washington, D. C.

Paul Paul Boies

Dear Mr. Hoover:

I received your letter of January 7th, 1942,
and many thanks for forwarding the letter, but I was
somewhat surprised to see my mail go directly to the
F. B. I. So I am forwarding the letter to you so you
will see why she was sending it to me.

This happens to be one of those times when I
took a very important step for the Director, as well as
the Federal Bureau of Investigation, and as you will see,
from all appearances I won. At least it impressed her so
that she wants her husband to be a part of the F. B. I.,
as you will note from her letter.

I have done a very splendid piece of work for
you in California in the last few weeks and I will always
do everything I possibly can in your behalf, as well as for
the F. B. I., for I am most sincere in my work in your be-
half, for I really feel it is the only outstanding organ-
ization that America has that we truly can be proud of.

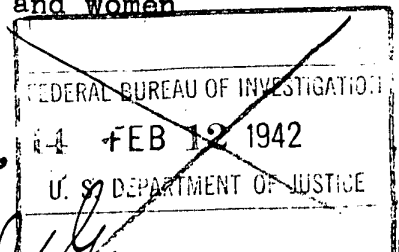
P. B. Y.
Mr. Hood is doing an excellent piece of work in
California and it almost makes your blood boil to hear a
fellow like Robert Noble come along and try to destroy all
the good work that you so very ably accomplished.

I will assure you that you have my fullest co-
operation and if there is anything I can do or assist in
any way to serve my country and my fellow men and women
I am at your service.

With my very best wishes,

Respectfully yours,

Gertrude I. George
Gertrude I. George



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December 26, 1941

Dear Miss George,

If this letter ever reaches you, (and I'm sincerely hoping that it does), I shall be eternally grateful for the efficiency of the F.B.I.

First of all let me remind you of my ever-so-slight connection with you. I am the young woman who was in charge of the Elizabeth Arden exercise department in Los Angeles, and who was more than mildly interested in your fascinating career. During a conversation at the time of one of your appointments at the salon, I made an outstanding mental note of the fact that you were a personal friend of Mr. J. Edgar Hoover. (I shall now make a confession) At that time I decided that if my husband should endeavor to become affiliated with the FBI I would come to you, or write to you and ask your help.

That time is now. And since I will not admit defeat, I shall leave no stone unturned until I have done everything possible to help Paul. I approach you now to request a word of recommendation from you to Mr. Hoover. That might aid my husband in being accepted.

As to his qualifications, there is no doubt but he'd be excellent material for the Department. He passed the California State Bar examination in 1938 after studying at Stanford and Loyola Law School. He was a better-than-average student and has maintained a very high record in the practice of his profession. His aptitude for accounting and his love for his profession make him a top candidate for a position with the F.B.I. He applied at the local office some time ago and has also written a personal letter to Mr. Hoover, but as yet he has heard nothing, and he is naturally discouraged.

It is because of my belief in Paul's ability that I have written you this letter (without his knowledge), hoping with all my heart that you will be able to help him.

I remain most sincerely and appreciatively,

/s/ Eileen DuBois
1740 St. Albans Rd.
San Marino, Calif.

HHC:PJ

March 2, 1942

Special Agent in Charge
Los Angeles, California

Dear Sir:

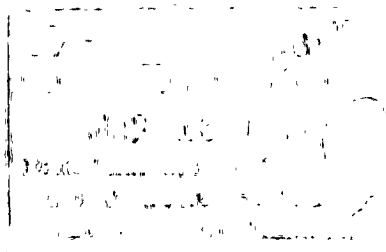
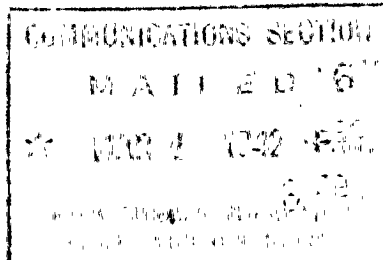
Reference is made to your letter dated February 19, 1942 entitled Administrative Matters, wherein you suggest the use of file numbers showing the names of offices to which copies of reports are being sent. You are advised that the Bureau has conducted a study and survey of this possibility in the recent past and it has been determined that the amount of time consumed in reviewing files to record the file numbers of various offices which have previously submitted reports and letters about a case, is at least equivalent to the amount of time which would be required by the receiving office in looking up the file number on the index cards. Similarly the possibility of error and transposing numbers would make it desirable that the card index be searched and that cross references, when necessary, be recorded. For this reason the Bureau has found it inadvisable to adhere to the suggestion submitted.

The Bureau does appreciate your thoughtfulness in submitting this suggestion.

Very truly yours,

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Eileen QuBair
1740 St. Albans Rd.
San Marino, Calif.

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March 14, 1942

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Mr. Richard B. Hood
Federal Bureau of Investigation
United States Department of Justice
900 Security Building
Los Angeles, California

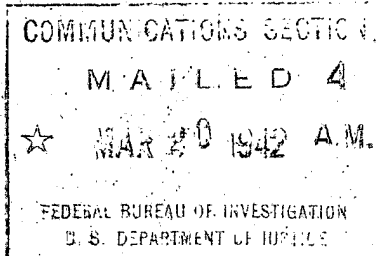
Dear Dick:

I wanted to drop you this note to tell you that I think you did a grand job in connection with meeting the false statements of Mayor Fletcher Bowron of Los Angeles who testified before the Tolson Committee. I have been advised that you made a very fine appearance before the Committee and naturally I was most happy to learn of the splendid reaction of the Committee to your testimony. This was, of course, a delicate and trying assignment and I did want to commend you for the splendid manner in which you handled it.

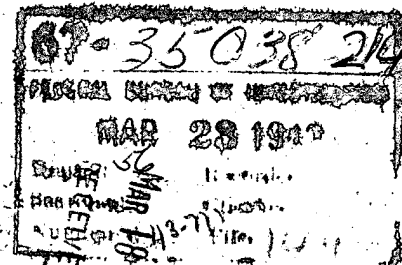
With best wishes and kind regards,

Sincerely,

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HHC:BG

April 2, 1942

Mr. R. D. Hood
Federal Bureau of Investigation
U. S. Department of Justice
900 Security Building
Los Angeles, California

Dear Mr. Hood:

Reference is made to your letter dated March 12, 1942, concerning the form to record the receipt of new cases in field offices.

In this connection you are advised that the Bureau is adopting a new case form which includes all the advantages of the form suggested by you as well as some additional ideas which have been received and which it is believed will improve this form. The present supply of new case forms will be exhausted before the new form is prepared, however. A bulletin along this line is being prepared for the field.

I desire to express my appreciation for your thoughtfulness in submitting your suggestion.

Sincerely yours,

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April 17, 1942

Mr. M. D. Hood
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U. S. Department of Justice
Los Angeles, California

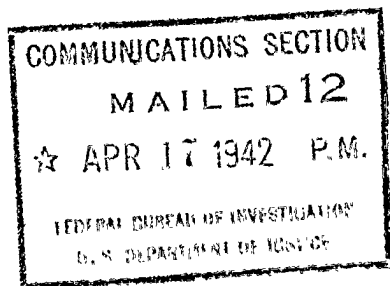
Dear Mr. Hood:

This will acknowledge the receipt of your contribution of \$5.00 to the fund to be paid to the designated beneficiary of any participating Special Agent of the Bureau who dies, from any cause except self destruction, while employed as a Special Agent.

Sincerely yours,

J. E. Hoover

John Edgar Hoover
Director



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**Federal Bureau of Investigation
United States Department of Justice**

Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation
United States Department of Justice
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

For inclusion in the fund to be paid to the widow or designated beneficiary of any Special Agent of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, United States Department of Justice, who has contributed to this fund subsequent to February 2, 1942, and who dies from any cause except self-destruction while employed as a Special Agent, I am forwarding herewith (by CHECK - MONEY ORDER) the sum of five dollars (\$5), made payable to the Chief Clerk of said Bureau, to be included in said fund. It is understood and agreed that the sum tendered herewith is a voluntary, gratuitous contribution to said fund, which I understand is to be administered in the following manner:

The Director of the Bureau will appoint a committee which shall consider all matters pertaining to the acquisition, safe keeping, and expending of said fund, which committee will recommend appropriate action to the Director of the Bureau in pertinent matters. The Chief Clerk of said Bureau shall receive all contributions and account for same to the Director.

Upon the death of any Special Agent, the appointed committee will consider the case and submit a recommendation to the Director as to its conclusions. Appropriate instructions will then be issued to the Chief Clerk, directing him to pay to the designated beneficiary the sum of \$5,000.

The following person is hereby designated as my beneficiary:

Name Silva F. Hunt Address Los Angeles Cal.
Relationship wife 70 Bureau Field Office

Very truly yours,


Special Agent

ack
4-17-42
Hunt
P. C.

ECK:JM

March 26, 1942

Mr. Royal G. Phillips
Chief, Bureau of Intelligence
Texas Department of Public Safety
Camp Mabry
Austin, Texas

Dear Mr. Phillips:

Mr. R. B. Hood, Special Agent in Charge of our Los Angeles Field Division, has brought to my attention your letters of January 22 and 29 and I want to express my appreciation for your thoughtfulness in writing concerning the assistance rendered you in connection with the Prome murder case.

The FBI is always ready to cooperate with other law enforcement organizations and it is encouraging to read letters such as yours and to know that our efforts are appreciated. I am grateful also for your commendation of Mr. Hood and Mr. H. W. Acers, Special Agent in Charge of our San Antonio Office, as well as Special Agents T. C. McCorkle and C. F. McAtter.

If at any time we can be of assistance to your department in matters of mutual interest I want you to feel free to call upon us.

With best wishes and kind regards,

Sincerely yours,

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

San Antonio

(sent under cover letter to SAC Hood 3-26-42)
Mr. Phillips in his letters to SAC Hood
marked upon the fact that he had the
pleasure of working with SAC Acers whom
he respected and admired as an officer.

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EARL WARREN
ATTORNEY GENERAL

STATE OF CALIFORNIA
LEGAL DEPARTMENT

San Francisco,
March 30, 1942.

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Honorable J. Edgar Hoover, Director,
Federal Bureau of Investigation,
United States Department of Justice,
Washington, D. C.

My dear Director:

I have intended for some time to write you about conditions in California and to say that we are happy with the accomplishments of the F. B. I. Your boys have been doing a splendid job under very trying circumstances. The people have been aroused over the alien situation here, but no criticism is levelled at the Bureau. The one exception, when Mayor Bowron appeared before the Tolan Committee, was not concurred in by those who are familiar with the situation, and I hardly believe that he intended any offense because I have talked with him on other occasions and have always gathered from his conversation that he had the highest regard for your organization.

Both Nat Pieper and Dick Hood have been doing yeoman service, and the law enforcement officers of the State are behind them. For a time, our people were more or less jittery about the Japanese, but since the Army has started to move them, that has died down. However, evacuation is moving slowly and, while we appreciate the magnitude of the job, we will all feel better about it when both the aliens and the California-born Japanese are out of the combat zone.

561-A-2121
It is natural that our thoughts should be turned toward the Japanese, because of Pearl Harbor, and because we can recognize everyone of Japanese extraction, but I hope we are not straining out the gnat and swallowing the camel. I cannot get it out of mind that Fritz Wiedemann and his crowd have left their footprints in a

Honorable J. Edgar Hoover - Page 2.

good many places in these parts. One bad feature of the situation is that the local authorities do not know who the alien enemies in their midst are. We tried to obtain some information on the Japanese, at least, during the last registration, but we were not permitted to do so. I hope that the matter will soon be worked out so this information can be forthcoming.. The original policy of retaining this information in Federal circles was undoubtedly sound, because we were, at that time, technically at peace with the Axis powers. Now we are actually at war. We are in a combat zone and have had sufficient indication of the danger involved to call for knowledge of who the potential saboteurs and fifth columnists might be.

I often think of the tremendous responsibility which you are shouldering, and I know you are always glad to hear that the law enforcement officers are in harmony both with your objectives and your activities.

With best wishes, I am

Sincerely,



Attorney General of
California.

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send copies
to Piper &
Hood 4/20*

EW:JM

Los Angeles, California

March 12, 1942

Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Washington, D. C.

RE: INTERNAL SECURITY

Dear Sir:

As you are aware, in an office the size of the Los Angeles Office, there are a tremendous number of complaints received every day from visitors at the office as well as through the telephone. The large majority of these have no particular value, and arrangements are made whereby the agents will immediately call to my attention matters dealing with sabotage, possible espionage cases, and matters of possible vital interest to the Army and Navy, so that they may be handled with dispatch. Even so, with the large number of complaints received, it is difficult to have these matters typed up promptly, so that investigation may be instituted with the benefit of all information that was obtained from the informant.

A number of the agents are of the opinion that it would facilitate matters considerably if a form of some type could be used for this purpose.

It has also been pointed out that numerous inquiries are made and additional information furnished by the complainants subsequent to their initial call, and in many instances, particularly if the information did not appear of great value, there is no record yet in the file room, as the complaints have not been dictated or possibly are still in the possession of the stenographer in the process of being typed. At any rate, there is by necessity delay in the typing and indexing of memoranda on what appear to be general complaints.

I do not believe that this is desirable, as it sometimes leads people to think that we are not interested in the information they furnish when it is not possible a few days later to locate a record on their first complaint, and they seldom have the name of the Special Agent to whom they furnished the information.

If a simple complaint form could be used and prepared in longhand by the agents at the time the complaint is made, in those cases that are routine and do not need to receive my prompt attention, they could be routed to the file room and the names of the subjects and complainants appropriately indexed; and then the matters could be considered individually to determine whether individual cases should be opened.

Director

RE: INTERNAL SECURITY

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March 12, 1942

It is entirely possible in many offices this is not a particularly serious problem, and a rule applicable in other sections of the country may not fully meet the needs of the Pacific Coast Offices. It is, therefore, suggested that the Bureau consider the request of this office to permit a complaint form to be used.

At present, the services of at least eight special agents are used every day until nine P.M. and two agents are on duty all day Sunday, for the sole purpose of receiving complaints. At other intervals, it is necessary to have additional agents available to receive telephonic complaints.

It is realized that one objection to utilizing the complaint form is that, as a result, agents tend to obtain only the information requested on the form. However, it is believed most of this criticism can be met by not having this form ask many definite questions. The main feature of the form is to provide a prompt, effective manner of having the names of the subjects and complainants indexed into the files for immediate reference.

I am enclosing for your consideration a suggested form for this purpose.

Very truly yours,

REH:CNS
Enc.

R. B. HOOD,
Special Agent in Charge.

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May 29, 1942

Mr. R. B. Hood
Special Agent in Charge
Federal Bureau of Investigation
United States Department of Justice
900 Security Building
Los Angeles, California

Dear Mr. Hood:

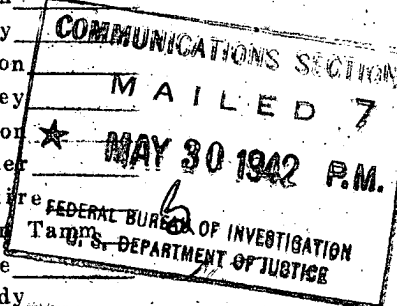
Now that the Civilian Defense Courses and War Traffic Schools for Police have been completed, I want to take this opportunity to express to you, and through you to the personnel of your office, my sincere appreciation for your efforts in making these schools a success in your division.

I further feel that these schools have been a vitally important adjunct to the FBI Law Enforcement Officers Mobilization Plan for National Defense. I do not believe that we can overestimate the importance of the Quarterly Police Conferences in these trying times of war emergency. The untiring and conscientious efforts of the employees in your office in connection with our Civilian Defense police training program will do much to contribute to the continued success of the Quarterly Police Conferences in safeguarding the security of the United States.

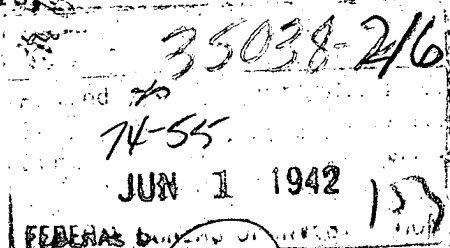
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May 28, 1948

Mr. R. B. Hood
Federal Bureau of Investigation
U. S. Department of Justice
900 Security Building
Los Angeles, California

Dear Sir:

RE: ROBERT DEAN GLOVER
Special Agent Applicant

Under date of May 7, 1948, you furnished to the Bureau an interview sheet on the above applicant indicating that you served personally as the interviewing official. Information has been received from Mr. Glover to the effect that he had been interviewed by someone other than you at the Los Angeles Office.

I want to point out to you that the name of the interviewing official who actually conducts these interviews should be shown and that an error was made in this instance in reflecting your name unless Mr. Glover is mistaken in the information furnished to us.

Very truly yours,

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John Edgar Hoover
Director

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Glover in a personal letter to Special Agent J. B. [unclear] indicated that he had not met Hood at the Los Angeles Office but had been interviewed by some other individual.

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U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

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June 3, 1942

Special Agent in Charge
Los Angeles, California

H. B. Glavin

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to your letter dated May 15, 1942,
concerning the assignment of police cases.

In connection with your suggestion that you obtain
the assistance of the investigators in the California State
Attorney General's Office at Los Angeles, under the jurisdiction
of Mr. Earl Warren, you are advised that the Bureau approves
your assignment of cases in the usual manner to this agency.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover
Director

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NOTE: Approved by Executive Conference,
MAILED 1621/2 those present being Messrs.
Tamm, Glavin, Ladd, Nichols,
Rosen, Tamm, Tracy, Carson,
Hendon, Kramer and Clegg.
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U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

H. B. Glavin

Los Angeles, California
May 15, 1942

Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

RE: POLICE CASES

Reference is made to Bureau letter dated May 6, 1942, concerning the assignment of police cases to agencies other than police departments and sheriff's offices.

I have given the instructions in the above letter considerable thought, and discussed it with the Agents in this Office who have handled police cases. The coverage obtained by this Office is such that it is possible to assign these cases to practically any police department or sheriff's office in this field division. Cases have been, and are being, assigned to them, and the situation is, I believe, well covered.

I have considered the possibility of assigning these cases to the California Highway Patrol, but their facilities are such that they are not in a position to properly handle them. This organization does, however, regularly supply this Office with information obtained by their officers, but due to their set up, they are not in a position to actually investigate.

With regards to railway police, I have from time to time met the various Chief Special Agents, and they have advised me of the extremely heavy amount of work being handled by them at this time. This is due to the fact that this field division is in the Western Defense Command and the movement of troops in this vicinity has completely overburdened the railway police. I do not feel justified in attempting to assign any cases to them at this time.

I have also considered assigning these cases to the District Attorneys' Offices in the various County Seats, but have found that for one reason or another, political or otherwise, and the fact that only one or two have investigators, this plan is not feasible. I do, however, assign cases to one District Attorney, that at Orange County, with splendid results. In fact, the investigator who handled National Defense work for this Office in the District Attorney's Office of Orange County has been tendered an appointment as a Special Agent with the Federal Bureau of Investigation.

The problem of the assignment of police cases is most acute in the City of Los Angeles. In this regards, I intend to shortly have a conference with the Chief of Police at Los Angeles and ask for the assignment of more men to their National Defense squad.

I am also considering asking the assistance of the investigators

Director

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May 15, 1942

RE: POLICE CASES

in the office of the California State Attorney General, EARL WARREN, who maintains a branch office in Los Angeles. I personally know some of the men assigned to this Office and have found them generally reliable and cooperative. If the Bureau approves a contact with them, I will do so upon appropriate advice.

Very truly yours,

R. B. HOOD
Special Agent in Charge

VIP:AH

Los Angeles, California
May 29, 1942

MEMORANDUM

RE: SUGGESTION

Preparation of Reports

It is believed desirable and necessary at this time that the present method of writing certain types of reports be reviewed in order to reduce if possible the amount of paper work necessary in the field and at the Seat of Government. Reduction in such work will result in an immediate increase in the production of work of the Agents and leave more Agents available for the important cases, and at the same time decrease the tremendous amount of clerical work being done in the field and at the Bureau.

It was noted in the office that immediately upon the change of procedure in handling applicant matters, five Agents were removed from applicant assignments and placed on other types of investigations. Since that time it has been possible to further reduce the applicant squad, as fewer Agents can now handle the same case load since they do not have to dictate the lengthy reports. A proportionate change will result if the dictation of lengthy reports in other types of investigations can be eliminated.

There are two types of cases to be considered under the submitted suggestion, as follows:

1. Cases closed on the authority of the Special Agent in Charge. Under the present practice, it is permissible for the Agent in Charge to authorize the closing of cases on his own responsibility where the complaint is unfounded or where there is no indication of a violation of the law, without the matter having been referred to the United States Attorney for his opinion. In the national defense field, the police cases are handled this way and no report is prepared reflecting the police activity where it is not believed the matter is of sufficient importance to justify the preparation of an investigative report. This has worked out quite satisfactorily in this office, and there have been few instances where the Bureau has definitely requested an investigative report. It has always been the practice where Agents actually conduct investigation, that they prepare an investigative report on their activity. However, it is now suggested that a brief memorandum for the file be prepared in such cases, both in the general investigative and national defense field, where the investigation shows there is no case and the case would have been closed with the submission of one investigative report.

2. Cases which are closed with the submission of one report where the United States Attorney is quoted as having rendered an opinion declining prosecution.

MEMORANDUM

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May 29, 1942

RE: SUGGESTION

If this is adopted, the Bureau will not be furnished with investigative reports except in unusual circumstances unless the United States Attorney authorizes prosecution or desires additional investigation to be performed which must be set forth in subsequent reports within the territory of the office preparing it or by other offices. It is realized that the objection to this procedure is that the United States Attorney renders an opinion which he does not have the opportunity of reviewing. It is believed that a practical consideration of this objection will, however, eliminate it, as it must be realized that very few United States Attorneys ever read the reports submitted to them, particularly where the cases are closed and where they will not have any action to take in the matter. It is not known that there has been any case in this office in several years where the United States Attorney has ever raised a question about a report that was submitted in which he was quoted as giving an opinion. There will be maintained in the file a definite statement of the United States Attorney, and it is recommended that the Agents be required to preserve their notes so that if there is ever a need to refer to this matter, the notes will be available in the investigative file.

It is recommended that if there are objections to establishing the procedure as above, the exceptions be set out and the general National Motor Vehicle Theft Act, White Slave Traffic Act, Impersonation, and other cases of this type be treated in the manner recommended. In cases such as National Bank Act and National Bankruptcy Act, if the Bureau desires an investigative report in every investigation, it can readily be furnished; however, it is recommended that where prosecution is declined, memoranda be prepared and furnished rather than an investigative report.

It would appear necessary that investigative reports be submitted to the Bureau in any case that is now pending in which the Bureau has received a copy of an investigative report.

It is believed that there must be some steps taken to reduce the large volume of paper work now being performed in the Bureau and the administrative setup presently in operation does not work as efficiently as it should, as it is too detailed to be utilized effectively in handling the large volume of cases and with the large number of Agents that the Bureau now has. It is, therefore, recommended that the above suggestion be adopted.

Respectfully submitted,

R. B. HOOD
Special Agent in Charge

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Los Angeles, California
May 29, 1942

MEMORANDUM

RE: SUGGESTION

Monthly Administrative Report

Reference is made to page two of the Monthly Administrative Report prepared by each of the Bureau's offices. On this page there appears a list of the names of the Agents assigned to each office, the number of days each Agent is on duty, the number of cases assigned to the Agent, both general and accounting, active and inactive.

It is recommended that the Bureau change this and that this information be summarized and furnished the Bureau rather than in the detailed manner in which it is now submitted. Your attention is invited to the fact that the Los Angeles Office's administrative report submitted May 2, 1942, has four full pages of Agents' names, the number of days each was on duty, the number of types of cases assigned as above mentioned. The total of all of these figures is then set forth on the fourth page. It is admitted that these totals are the items of interest to the Bureau, and the individual figures are not of sufficient importance to justify the time required to set them forth. A large amount of typing is necessary to prepare these four pages of detailed figures in an office of this size.

It is recommended that the detailed breakdown be eliminated and only the totals for these items be furnished. The present practice of setting forth the detailed information was inaugurated when the field was small. I have made inquiries of numerous supervisors and Bureau personnel and have never found anyone who has utilized the detailed information described above. It is, therefore, recommended that it be eliminated.

Respectfully submitted,

// R. B. HOOD //
Special Agent in Charge

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Daily News
Los Angeles, Calif.

DATE MAY 16 1942

Hoover finds L. A. office of FBI 'fine'

Chunky, fast talking, head G-man J. Edgar Hoover arrived here today on an inspection tour of the western offices of the federal bureau of investigation and found the Los Angeles office "excellent."

Hoover had warmest praise for Richard B. Hood, head of the Los Angeles office, lauding the work Hood is doing to keep down espionage and sabotage in this vital war production center.

As head of the FBI, Hoover extended thanks to the Los Angeles police department and the sheriff's office for the wholehearted cooperation extended to the FBI in its gigantic task of carrying on all its myriad war activities, in addition to the regular peacetime routine law enforcement.

"Every officer of the FBI has been working an average of five hours a day overtime, over his eight hour shift, 365 days a year, to keep pace with the work," Hoover said.

"In addition to handling all army or navy intelligence investigations affecting civilians, we must enforce the national selective service laws and deal with a crime situation that has increased greatly since the beginning of the war.

"In the first three months of the war, the general categories of crime, all except murder, increased from 3½ to 12½ per cent.

The No. 1 job of the FBI now, however, is the prevention of sabotage in war industry and the pursuit and arrest of enemy espionage agents.

Since January 1940, there have been thousands of cases of reported sabotage," Hoover said, "but we have definitely established only 198 cases and, resulting from these cases was the conviction of 328 persons.

"None of these persons convicted was an enemy agent, however. They were found to be either Axis sympathizers or disgruntled employees but not saboteurs in the pay of the enemy.

"We shouldn't be smug about this, however, and say that sabotage rings can't do damage. Our alertness in the past has been the biggest form of our protection. We should continue always to be on the alert for any sabotage moves."

Hoover asked the general public to watch for suspicious occurrences and to report such happenings to the FBI for investigation, not to undertake investigations themselves.

—Buy War Bonds—

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June 26, 1942

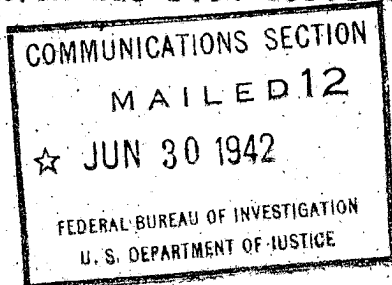
Mr. D. D. Hood
Federal Bureau of Investigation
U. S. Department of Justice
900 Security Building
Los Angeles, California

Dear Mr. Hood:

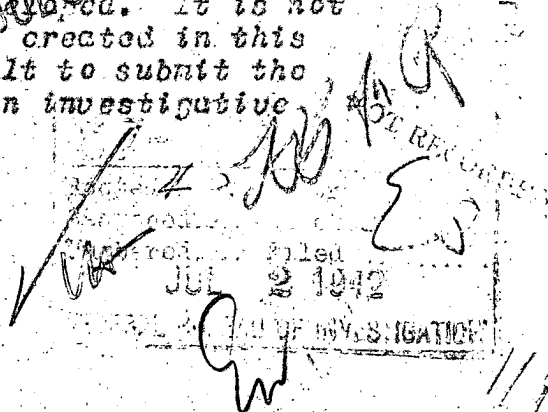
Your suggestion with reference to the submission of reports in certain types of cases as contained in your letter of May 29, 1942, has received consideration. I am in accord with your observation that it is desirable and necessary at this time to consider the reduction of paper work which is necessary in the field and at the Seat of Government. It is noted that you have referred to the availability of Agents following the institution of the present practice of submitting reports on applicant investigations. In recommending the present practice with reference to this type of investigation, it was believed that the procedure in making available to the Bureau such information as was developed during an applicant investigation would more readily be transmitted to the Bureau in a concise and brief manner.

In considering the other suggestions which you have submitted, that is, with reference to the submission of memoranda in certain types of cases, it is believed that the present practice does not work a hardship upon the various field offices. In this regard, it is pointed out that it is necessary to prepare some written record of the results of the investigation in those cases where the Agent in Charge recognizes that the preliminary investigation does not warrant further inquiry. In this regard it is believed desirable to continue submitting an investigative report covering the investigative activity rather than a memorandum so that the Bureau will have available the facts which are developed. It is not believed that any additional burden is created in this type of a case, nor is it more difficult to submit the material which has been developed in an investigative

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report form rather than in memorandum form for the file.

With reference to your suggestion that the United States Attorney not be furnished with an opinion which he has rendered concerning a case, it is believed that the present practice of incorporating in a report the opinion which the United States Attorney has expressed with reference to each case is more desirable and adequate with reference to the disposition of various cases coming within your jurisdiction.

The interest which prompted you in making your observations available to the Bureau is greatly appreciated.

Sincerely yours,

J. Edgar Hoover

(2) The Inspector considers the SAC as continuing to be enthusiastic, loyal and capable. He handles personnel satisfactorily and is in close touch with all the activities of the office. The principal criticism was his lack of special service contacts. SAC Hood is believed to have the ability to meet people successfully but he concerns himself quite largely with administrative functions to the extent that these outside contacts have suffered. He is personally attempting to handle too much detailed work.

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Special Agent in Charge

Mr. HOOD is continuing as an enthusiastic, loyal and capable Agent in Charge. He handles his personnel very satisfactorily, and is in close touch with all of the activities in the office. The major criticism made during the inspection was that he had not developed and assigned work to a sufficient number of Special Service Contacts. I believe Mr. HOOD has the ability to successfully meet people in all walks of life, but has concerned himself with the administrative functions of the office to the extent that outside contacts have suffered. It was felt that as Agent in Charge of an office of that size, he was attempting to personally handle too much detail work. Contacts were discussed with him and I believe a definite improvement may be expected.

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Los Angeles Inspection

Federal Bureau of Investigation
United States Department of Justice
Los Angeles, California
July 9, 1942

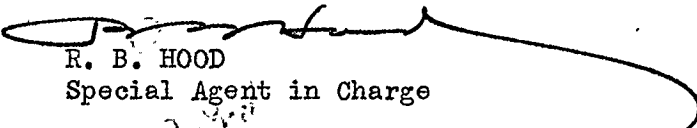
Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

I am enclosing for the Bureau's consideration and possible approval a copy of a letter directed to Captain EDWARD E. PEELER, Army Air Force, Intelligence Officer, Victorville Army Flying School, Victorville, California, in reply to his letter of June 25, 1942. In his inquiry of that date he requested information concerning RALPH W. CARSON, who was making application for an important position in the national defense program, and who has submitted my name as a reference.

For the information of the Bureau, I have been acquainted with RALPH W. CARSON, former practicing attorney in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, for at least 25 years. Our families were well-acquainted for a number of years before that, and I know that he has a good background and is believed to be reliable and trustworthy in every way. In event the Bureau approves this communication, kindly forward it directly to Captain PEELER.

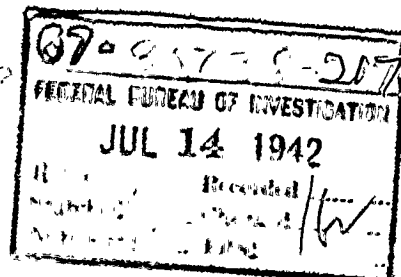
Very truly yours,


R. B. HOOD
Special Agent in Charge

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Federal Bureau of Investigation
United States Department of Justice
Room 900, 510 South Spring Street
Los Angeles, California
July 9, 1942

Captain Edward E. Peeler
Army Air Forces
Intelligence Officer
Victorville Army Flying School
Victorville, California

Your Reference IX-40/68

Dear Captain Peeler:

I have your communication of June 25, 1942, advising that RALPH W. CARSON has given my name as a reference, he having applied for an important position in the national defense program.

I have known Mr. Carson for a great many years and know that he is of the highest character and integrity. Neither Mr. Carson nor his family have ever been involved in any possible un-American activities. I believe that he is capable of holding a position of trust and confidence in connection with any work that might be assigned to him by the Government.

Very truly yours,

R. B. Hood (Signed)
Special Agent in Charge

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July 7, 1942

Special Agent in Charge
Los Angeles, California

K. B. Hood

Dear Sir:-

When the Director was in Los Angeles in May, he made inquiry of Special Agent in Charge Hood as to whether he had met the Commanding General of the Corps Area in which Los Angeles is located. The answer received was that Mr. Hood had not yet met the Commanding General as he had been but recently appointed. When Assistant Special Agent in Charge J. W. Vincent, was recently in In-Service School, he advised the Director that he had not yet met the General who had been but recently appointed. It is now July and Assistant Agent in Charge Vincent admittedly had not seen the Commanding General of the Corps Area.

The Bureau desires to be informed specifically if, prior to this date, Special Agent in Charge Hood has met the Commanding General, and if not, the Bureau desires a full and complete explanation both from Special Agent in Charge Hood and Assistant Special Agent in Charge Vincent as to the procrastination in this matter.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,
Director

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OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

July 1, 1942

R.B. Hood

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. TOLSON

I today saw Assistant Special Agent in Charge John W. Vincent of the Los Angeles Office, who is presently attending the In-Service School.

Mr. Vincent makes an excellent personal appearance, but is very definitely lacking in animation. I have the feeling that he is a most capable investigator, and there is no doubt in my mind that he is quite industrious, but I sense a certain amount of procrastination and a lack of realization of the necessity of getting things done quickly.

This was emphasized particularly when I asked him whether he had yet met the Commanding General of the Corps Area in which Los Angeles is located. Mr. Vincent told me that he had not yet met this General as he had been but recently appointed. I recall quite distinctly that when I was in Los Angeles in May, I asked Mr. Hood if he had met the Commanding General and Mr. Hood told me that he had not yet met him as he had been but recently appointed. It is now the first of July and apparently neither has gotten around to meeting the ranking military officer in that field division.

Very truly yours,

S/ J.E.H.
John Edgar Hoover,
Director

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July 18, 1942

Mr. R. B. Hood
Federal Bureau of Investigation
United States Department of Justice
900 Security Building
Los Angeles, California

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Dear Mr. Hood:

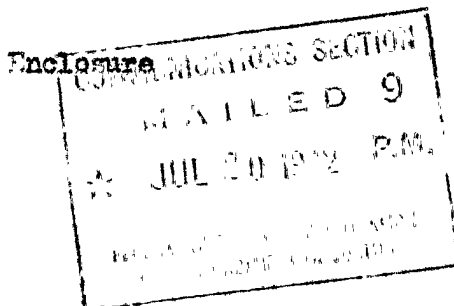
I have your letter of July 9, 1942, wherein you submit a proposed letter of recommendation concerning Ralph W. Carson to Captain Edward E. Peeler, Army Air Force, Intelligence Officer, Victorville, California.

I am enclosing the letter which you submitted herewith and wish to advise you that the Bureau will interpose no objection to your writing Captain Peeler giving him the benefit of your views and comments concerning Mr. Carson. However, this should be done by you as a private individual and your official connection with the Bureau should not be indicated in any matter. Therefore it is suggested that the letter be rewritten on plain paper and your official title deleted.

Sincerely yours,

John Edgar Hoover
Director

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June 19, 1942

THE DIRECTOR

RE: SUMMARY OF LOS ANGELES INSPECTION
TELEPHONE CALL FROM MR. GURNEA

Mr. Gurnea telephoned from San Diego and made the following report on his inspection of the Los Angeles office:

Physical Condition

The physical condition was Good Plus. In other words, the general condition was good. The only thing that was wrong was that the desks and cabinets of the agents were generally untidy. Other than that, the Inspector thought it was fine.

Administrative Matters

The time spent in the office by the agents averaged 2.49 hours per day. The Inspector felt that was probably below the average for the field; however, he thinks that can be reduced and Mr. Hood will reduce it.

The overtime for the agents averaged 4.19 hours last month and the clerical employees 1.2 hours per day. The clerical overtime was well distributed. However, there were some of the agents who were falling down and Mr. Hood is to take that up with them.

With reference to the Special Service Contacts, which the Director called Inspector Gurnea about, there are ten listed in the box, which it was not felt was sufficient for an office such as Los Angeles. That was primarily Mr. Tolson's doubt to the fact that Mr. Hood has been doing too much detailed administrative work on the desk, and that has been rearranged so that he will spend more time out on the Special Service Contacts. The regular contacts in the office total 54 and they were all good. However, there were only two newspaper men listed in the file and the SAC had two additional newspaper contacts who weren't listed. He will get them in the box and develop more in the immediate future.

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The Assignment of Supervisory Duties - As indicated before, it was felt that the Agent in Charge was "putting his nose to the grind stone," so to speak, instead of getting out and getting a birds-eye picture of the entire problem. It was rearranged so that he will have more time to himself for outside contacts.

The German desk had too much work on it for close supervision of the cases. The supervisor had Mexican matters and some other matters that were taken away and placed on some of the other desks. The police cases were being supervised on several desks and were taken away from all desks but one and all of them put on Mr. Parry's desk for his supervision.

The work is now divided on five separate desks, in addition to the Agent in Charge, and the Inspector feels they will get better supervision in that manner.

The general supervision of the cases was good. The main fault that the Inspector found in reviewing several hundred cases was that they were not closely following them with auxiliary offices and were not pushing them. In many instances they had written five and six routing slips to either offices or agents and hadn't taken any steps to be sure that the cases were receiving attention.

The Inspector found that a minimum number of cases had been opened on insufficient information. In other words, he thinks they are opening cases only on good information.

The Ability of the Supervisory Personnel

The Inspector thinks Vincent is doing an excellent job. He thinks that Mr. Hood is doing an excellent job.

Special Agent D. P. Sullivan is also doing a good job. He is now getting \$4,800 a year and the Inspector thinks that is sufficient for the time being.

Special Agent H. A. Smith, on the German desk, is doing a very good job. He is enthusiastic. He has a peculiar personality but nevertheless, after you learn to know him and watch his work, it can be seen that he is doing fine work. He is now getting \$4,600 and the Inspector thinks he should be raised to \$4,800, the same as Sullivan.

Special Agent V. I. Parry is the supervisor now handling all Communist work and police cases. The Inspector rates him as being good as a supervisor, excellent as an agent and excellent as a technician, at work that he does on radios and that sort of thing. He is now getting \$4,600, which the Inspector thinks is sufficient.

Special Agent A. F. Wells is supervising the Selective Service work. He is good; he is rather new. The Inspector wouldn't rate him as being outstanding as a supervisor but he is enthusiastic and works hard. He received his last raise in August, 1941, bringing him up to \$3,500, and the Inspector felt he should receive at least a \$300 raise.

Special Agent P. D. Horgan, who is handling all of the "hot" German cases in the office, is also an outstanding agent, according to the Inspector. He is not a supervisor; he is an agent who is getting \$3,800 a year which the Inspector didn't think was sufficient for the type of work that he is doing and the calibre of work that he is doing. He is doing excellent work and Mr. Gurnea felt he should also be considered for a raise.

Miscellaneous Personnel

The clerical personnel in the office is sufficient. All of the clerical work is up to a current status. The stenographers only have about 1½ to 2 days' work on their books.

As far as agent personnel is concerned, however, on June 15th they had 137 agents; there were 10 under transfer in, 5 under transfer out of the office. The Inspector thinks the office justifies at least 160 agents, which would mean 18 additional agents to the office, that is, in addition to the ones who are already provided for. Now, those agents can consist of agents from the training school. They have a sufficient number of experienced agents there so that the training school agents could supplement the force they have at the present time.

Selection and Assignment of Cases

It was felt after going over all of the assigned cases that the cases were, in some instances at least, being automatically assigned without consideration being given to the relative importance of the cases or the amount of work already assigned to the individual agents. They are not taking advantage of the deferment procedure to the extent that they should.

There was a total of 1,047 assigned cases on which no report had been submitted for 121 days or over. A tabulation was prepared for the information of the office and in the future when cases are assigned consideration will be given to the amount of delinquent work that the agent has as well as to the importance of the case. If it is not important, they are instructed to put it in the Unassigned Box; or if it is relatively unimportant, to defer it.

To assist in the selection of cases the Inspector had all the officers in the Western Defense Command submit to him a list of the ten cases that they considered of most importance. They submitted with them a brief memorandum setting out what the case was. Memoranda were prepared on all of these while the Inspector was at Los Angeles and they were, in turn, distributed to all of the offices in the Western Defense Command with instructions that under no circumstances were they to become delinquent and that they were to be given preferred and expeditious attention. In that way it is hoped that approximately the 80 best cases in this entire area will receive preferred attention.

Memoranda have been dictated on these cases and will be submitted with the Inspector's report.

The division of the work between regular investigative and national defense work was satisfactory. It is a little out of proportion to the appropriation but the Inspector thinks this is still quite all right. 75% of the cases assigned were national defense and 25% of them were regular investigative cases.

The volume of cases closed by the office is ²⁰²⁹ continuing to increase. They closed a total of 2,953 last month and received ~~229~~ In that respect, the Inspector is hammering at all of the offices out there, trying to get them to reduce their total case load in the office. He thinks the administrative report will show that for the last month and for the succeeding months there will be a general and continual reduction in the entire case load. As far as Los Angeles is concerned, the delinquencies have been rising rapidly. They went up from 45.2% to 64.6% during the last four months. That is one reason why the Inspector has recommended additional agents for the Los Angeles office.

With reference to police cases, the number of them being closed monthly has continued to increase. They closed a total of 324 last month. The Inspector found that of the 1,288 cases assigned, only 12 regular investigative cases were included and this number should be increased, of course. 64.44% of the cases assigned to the police have not had a report written on them for 120 days or more. The Inspector prepared a tabulation on that and left it with the office and they are going to attempt to reduce this delinquency.

Resident Agents

The Inspector felt that the territory was satisfactorily divided. However, there is too much work for the Resident Agents at San Bernardino and also for the three Resident Agents at Fresno. There will be an additional agent sent to San Bernardino and one additional agent sent to the Fresno area in an effort to reduce the delinquencies in those territories.

Alien Registration

Alien registration is being satisfactorily handled by eight Bureau wives. The Inspector thinks that they are doing good work. He was a little skeptical on how Bureau wives would work out but they seemed to have worked just like the usual Bureau personnel. They are sending out between 600 and 700 letters to the police a day and receipting 200 to 300. All the letters will be out to police the first part of next week. All of the change of address information is being currently handled.

Investigative Matters

While the Inspector was at the Bureau he talked with Mr. Rosen about bank robbery cases and Mr. Rosen said that they were not receiving appropriate attention in the Los Angeles area. The Inspector went over them in Los Angeles and found that 17 were delinquent. At the present time they are all assigned. They have put additional personnel on them and every effort will be made to bring them up to a current status and close out as many as possible.

As for sabotage cases, the monthly administrative report reflected that only 2 sabotage cases were delinquent. However, that was in error as the Inspector found that there was a total of 8. They are all being given preferred attention now and the Inspector thinks that by the first of the month they will be down to a minimum.

The Selective Service work has been very satisfactorily handled by Wells. They closed a total of 761 cases last month and are continuing to close more than they receive.

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The Inspector concluded his call with the statement that the condition of the Los Angeles office was very, very satisfactory.

Respectfully,

H. H. Clegg

REPORT OF REGULAR () ; INTERIM ()
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EFFICIENCY RATING

Classification Symbols		
CAF	14	\$6500
(Service)	(Grade)	(Class)

As of 3/31/42 based on performance during period from 4/1/41 to 3/31/42
R. B. Hood Special Agent in Charge
(Name of employee) (Title of position) (Bureau)

(Division) (Section) (Subsection or unit) Los Angeles
(Field office)

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— if weak
+ if outstanding

- Underline the elements which are especially important in the position.
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All others ☐

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- (3) Skill in the application of techniques and procedures.
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- (5) Attention to broad phases of assignments.
- (6) Attention to pertinent detail.
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- (8) Accuracy of final results.
- (9) Accuracy of judgments or decisions.
- (10) Effectiveness in presenting ideas or facts.
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- (12) Rate of progress on or completion of assignments.
- (13) Amount of acceptable work produced. (Is mark based on production records? -----) (Yes or no)
- (14) Ability to organize his work.
- (15) Effectiveness in meeting and dealing with others.
- (16) Cooperativeness.
- (17) Initiative.
- (18) Resourcefulness.
- (19) Dependability.
- (20) Physical fitness for the work.

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- (22) Effectiveness in adapting the work program to broader or related programs.
- (23) Effectiveness in devising procedures.
- (24) Effectiveness in laying out work and establishing standards of performance for subordinates.
- (25) Effectiveness in directing, reviewing, and checking the work of subordinates.
- (26) Effectiveness in instructing, training, and developing subordinates in the work.
- (27) Effectiveness in promoting high working morale.
- (28) Effectiveness in determining space, personnel, and equipment needs.
- (29) Effectiveness in setting and obtaining adherence to time limits and deadlines.
- (30) Ability to make decisions.
- (31) Effectiveness in delegating clearly defined authority to act.

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Very good	2 or 3
Good	4, 5, or 6
Fair	7 or 8
Unsatisfactory	9

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On the whole, do you consider the conduct of this employee to be satisfactory? (See back of form)
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Los Angeles, California
July 16, 1942

Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Washington, D. C.

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Dear Sir:

Reference is made to Bureau communication of July 7, 1942, inquiring whether I have become acquainted with the Commanding General in this area.

For the Bureau's information, the Commanding General in the Southern California Sector of the Western Defense Command under Lieutenant General JOHN L. DEWITT of San Francisco, California, is Major General MAXWELL MURRAY. There is no longer a Corps Area Headquarters in the State of California.

For a period of many weeks I have maintained close contact with the Intelligence Officer assigned to the staff of General MURRAY and obtained valuable information from him. On every occasion of my visits and twice by appointment I endeavored to see the Commanding General within recent weeks and each time it was impossible to see him as he was engaged with other Army officials and on one occasion he had to leave town. An appointment was made the early part of this week to see the General, which appointment was had on July 16. I had a lengthy conference with him at that time.

It is realized that the contact with the Commanding General is important in view of the general situation on the West Coast, and I made arrangements with him at this time to have frequent conferences at which some matters of interest will be arranged for discussion.

I have become well-acquainted with General WALTER WILSON, who was the first Commanding General in this Sector following the declaration of war, who was here for several months; and immediately after he left there were three changes in rapid succession and then General MURRAY assumed the present post.

The only reason that the General has not been previously contacted is that it has not been possible to make additional trips to Pasadena to see him. My failure to do so has certainly not been intentional and, as Agent in Charge, I will assume the full responsibility for not having contacted him. It is no failure on the part of Assistant Special Agent in Charge J. W. VINCENT. You may be assured that my contacts with him will be frequent and that the Bureau will be advised in detail concerning these contacts.

Very truly yours,

R. B. HOOD
Special Agent in Charge

RBH:hkk

BEN S. BEERY, Chairman
H. C. HEINKRITZ
DEE HOLDER
WM. B. JOHNSTON

AMERICANISM COMMITTEE
The American Legion: DEPARTMENT OF CALIFORNIA, 17TH DISTRICT
912 ROWAN BUILDING - PHONE MICHIGAN 1144
LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA

HENRY MAYERS
SAMUEL H. ROBINSON
DR. RUSSELL W. STARR



July 14, 1942.

Los Angeles
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Mr. J. Edgar Hoover,
Federal Bureau of Investigation,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Hoover:

Mr. R. B. Hood, special agent in charge of your local office in Los Angeles, has done such outstanding work in this community and has so won the confidence of the people that the 17th District, The American Legion, Department of California, desires to present to him a citation. Before this is done, however, we felt it only proper that we should communicate with you to be sure that there was no objection to this procedure.

We would greatly appreciate hearing from you at an early date as it is desired to issue the citations during the early part of August.

Yours very truly,

Ben S. Beery
BEN S. BEERY, Chairman

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RECORD OF PHYSICAL EXAMINATION OF OFFICERS AND SPECIAL AGENTS
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION, U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

NAME RICHARD E. HOOD AGE 33 YEARS, 11 MONTHS S.A.C.
NATIVITY (state of birth) Penna. MARRIED, SINGLE, WIDOWED: married NUMBER OF CHILDREN 0
FAMILY HISTORY None

HISTORY OF ILLNESS OR INJURY Tonsils removed 1928

HEAD AND FACE N

EYES: PUPILS (size, shape, reaction to light and distance, etc.) N

DISTANT VISION RT. 20/50, corrected to 20/20

LT. 20/100, corrected to 20/20

COLOR PERCEPTION Normal

(state edition of Stilling's plates or Lamps used)

DISEASE OR ANATOMICAL DEFECTS N

EARS: HEARING RT. WHISPERED VOICE 15/15'

CONVERSATIONAL SPEECH /15'

LT. WHISPERED VOICE 15/15'

CONVERSATIONAL SPEECH /15'

DISEASE OR DEFECTS N

NOSE N

(Disease or anatomical defect, obstruction, etc. State degree)

SINUSES N

TONGUE, PALATE, PHARYNX, LARYNX, TONSILS N

TEETH AND GUMS (disease or anatomical defect): Normal

MISSING TEETH 1, 23, 24, 25

NONVITAL TEETH no

PERIAPICAL DISEASE no

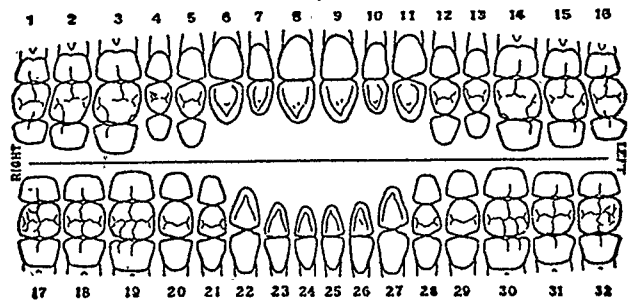
MARKED MALOCCLUSION no

PYORRHEA ALVEOLARIS no

TEETH REPLACED BY BRIDGES no

DENTURES no

REMARKS



/s/ M. M. Maxwell

(Signature of Dental Officer)

GENERAL BUILD AND APPEARANCE Medium

TEMPERATURE 98.4

CHEST AT EXPIRATION 38

HEIGHT 5' 9"

CHEST AT INSPIRATION 41

WEIGHT 180

CIRCUMFERENCE OF ABDOMEN AT UMBILICUS 35

RECENT GAIN OR LOSS, AMOUNT AND CAUSE None

SKIN, HAIR, AND GLANDS Brown hair.

NECK (abnormalities, thyroid gland, trachea, larynx) N

SPINE AND EXTREMITIES (bones, joints, muscles, feet) Very flat feet.

THORAX (size, shape, movement, rib cage, mediastinum) N
RESPIRATORY SYSTEM, BRONCHI, LUNGS, PLEURA, ETC. N

CARDIO-VASCULAR SYSTEM N
HEART (note all signs of cardiac involvement) N

PULSE: BEFORE EXERCISE 80 BLOOD PRESSURE: SYSTOLIC 124
AFTER EXERCISE 104 DIASTOLIC 72
THREE MINUTES AFTER 78
CONDITION OF ARTERIES N CHARACTER OF PULSE N
CONDITION OF VEINS N HEMORRHOIDS N

ABDOMEN AND PELVIS (condition of wall, scars, herniae, abnormality of viscera) N

GENITO-URINARY SYSTEM N
URINALYSIS: SP. GR. 1.011 ALB. Neg. SUGAR Neg. MICROSCOPICAL Neg.
VENEREAL DISEASE Denied

NERVOUS SYSTEM N (organic or functional disorders)
ROMBERG N INCOORDINATION (gait, speech) N
REFLEXES, SUPERFICIAL N DEEP (knee, ankle, elbow) N TREMORS N
SEROLOGICAL TESTS Negative BLOOD TYPE "O"
ABNORMAL PSYCHE (neurasthenia, psychasthenia, depression, instability, worries) N

SMALLPOX VACCINATION: DATE OF LAST VACCINATION 1938
TYPHOID PROPHYLAXIS: NUMBER OF COURSES 1
DATE OF LAST COURSE 1938
REMARKS ON ABNORMALITIES NOT OTHERWISE NOTED OR SUFFICIENTLY DESCRIBED ABOVE

SUMMARY OF DEFECTS 1. Defective vision left 20/400, right 20/50; both corrected to 20/20. 2. Flat feet.

CAPABLE OF PERFORMING DUTIES INVOLVING strenuous PHYSICAL EXERTION
IS THIS INDIVIDUAL PHYSICALLY FIT TO PARTICIPATE IN RAIDS AND APPREHENSION OF CRIMINALS
WHICH MIGHT ENTAIL THE PRACTICAL USE OF FIREARMS yes (yes or no)
(when no is given state cause)

FINDINGS, RECOMMENDATIONS AND REMARKS (as per boards, when necessary)
Typhoid prophylaxis.
Tetanus toxoid.

/s/ L. G. Parker, Jr.
Lieut. (MC) U.S.M.

DATE OF EXAMINATION 7/29/42

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August 14, 1942 ~~PERSONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL~~

Mr. Richard B. Hood
Federal Bureau of Investigation
900 Security Building
Los Angeles, California

Dear Mr. Hood:

The Bureau is in receipt of the report of the physical examination afforded you at the United States Naval Hospital, Bethesda, Maryland, on July 29, 1942.

This report reflects the following physical defects:

Defective vision of right eye 20/50 - left eye 20/400; corrected to 20/20 in each eye.
Flat feet.

The Board of Examining Physicians makes the following recommendations:

Inoculation for tetanus.
Inoculation for typhoid.

It reports that you are capable of performing strenuous physical exertion, and have no physical defects that would interfere with your participation in raids or other work involving the practical use of firearms.

For your information, it was determined during this examination that your blood is International Type "O".

Sincerely yours,

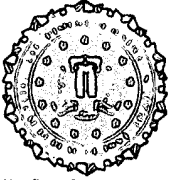
J. E. Hoover

John Edgar Hoover
Director

CC: Mr. Clegg

Mr. Tolson _____
Mr. E. A. Tamm _____
Mr. Clegg _____
Mr. Glavin _____
Mr. Ladd _____
Mr. Nichols _____
Mr. Rosen _____
Mr. Tracy _____
Mr. Carson _____
Mr. Coffey _____
Mr. Hendon _____
Mr. Kramer _____
Mr. McGuire _____
Mr. Quinn Tamm _____
Mr. Nease _____
Miss Gandy _____

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Federal Bureau of Investigation
United States Department of Justice
Washington, D. C.

July 7, 1942

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. GLAVIN

RE: MONTHLY ADMINISTRATIVE REPORT

Mr. Tolson _____
Mr. E. A. Tamm _____
Mr. Clegg _____
Mr. Glavin _____
Mr. Ladd _____
Mr. Nichols _____
Mr. Tracy _____
Mr. Rosen _____
Mr. Carson _____
Mr. Coffey _____
Mr. Hendon _____
Mr. Holloman _____
Mr. Quinn Tamm _____
Mr. Harbo _____
Tele. Room _____
Mr. Nease _____
Miss Beahm _____
Miss Gandy _____

Mr. Hood has made certain suggestions with respect to the monthly administrative report. He points out that on page one of this report there appears a list of the names of Agents assigned to each office, the number of days each Agent is on duty, the number of cases assigned to the Agent, both general and accounting, active and inactive. Mr. Hood recommends that the listing of this detailed information be discontinued because it requires a great deal of time to secure it and in lieu thereof Mr. Hood believes that the totals of all these figures should be set forth instead of the detailed listing which is the present practice. So far as Division Three is concerned there would be no objection to the adoption of Mr. Hood's recommendation. The totals would be sufficient for Division Three with the exception of the total of column three. The figures set forth in column three should report the total number of Agents ~~and~~ active investigative cases assigned at the end of the period rather than the total number of cases assigned to Special Agents at the end of the period. This same suggestion has been offered to the Bureau in the past and has been disapproved on each occasion. The disapproval has been based on the fact that the listing of such assignments brings to the attention of administrative personnel the assignment loads of each employee under his jurisdiction and makes possible the correction of any overassignment without difficulty.

I have conferred with Mr. Pennington concerning this suggestion and so far as he is concerned it could be adopted in a modified form. Mr. Pennington advised me that it is absolutely necessary that the information presently shown in the report be continued for Special Agent Accountants, otherwise the Bureau would never know when Accountants are performing general investigative work.

RECOMMENDATION: It is recommended that Mr. Hood's suggestion be adopted so far as Special Agents are concerned but that the field be requested to furnish the detailed information for the Special Agent Accountants. For your information, there is attached hereto a sample of the report presently prepared and a sample of the report which would be prepared if this recommendation is approved by the Bureau.

It may be desirable at this time to consider other items which possibly could be changed in connection with the preparation of the administrative report which would result in a considerable savings of time.

Today it is necessary to divide all pending cases up at the end of a month into active and inactive cases received at the field office and active and inactive cases received from other field offices. This pending case total is further divided

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MEMORANDUM FOR MR. GLAVIN

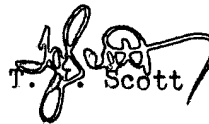
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into assigned and unassigned in each category. This information is not needed by the Chief Clerk's Office in so far as cases received from other offices are concerned. Briefly, the field would not have to divide the cases at the end of a period into those received from other offices and those arising in their own field districts if this suggestion is adopted. As previously mentioned, this breakup is not needed in Division Three except with respect to selective service cases and it is desired only because Mr. Harbo desires this information for his records. It is believed this would materially cut down the amount of work in preparing the report and the sample report attached reflects this suggestion.

The field offices in submitting their monthly administrative reports at the present time are also submitting a detailed report of national defense cases. This is reflected in the attached sample report. This information is not used at all and it is recommended at this time that it be discontinued.

It may be desirable in connection with the monthly administrative report to request the field offices to furnish information as to those Special Agents who are being utilized exclusively in a supervisory or administrative capacity. It is believed this information is of interest and importance to Bureau officials and often times the best available information of the Bureau is not accurate. This would require very little extra work in connection with the monthly administrative report and we would at all times know the total number of Agents in each office engaged exclusively in a supervisory capacity. The sample report attached requires that this information be furnished. The suggested form to be followed would not alter in any way the present policy of reporting ~~delinquency~~ cases.

Respectfully,


T. J. Scott

Attachments

7/18/42

ADDENDUM - I have read the foregoing and believe it would be desirable to adopt the procedure suggested herein.


R. H. Laughlin

No. 1

SAC Hood suggests the listing of the names of all Agents together with the number of days each was on duty and the number of cases assigned to each be discontinued. In lieu thereof, Hood suggests the totals of the aforementioned be furnished.

It is recommended this suggestion be adopted except for accountants which should be listed in detail.

Sample 1 - Present procedure
Sample 1-A - Suggested procedure

No. 2

Also suggested at this time that cases at end of period not be broken down into "here" and "other office" cases as is present practice. Show total pending cases without regard to origin. Does not apply to Selective Service cases.

Sample 2 - Present procedure
Sample 2-A - Suggested procedure

No. 3

Suggest discontinue submission of detailed national defense report as it is not needed since a month or two ago when Director no longer required the National Defense detailed statement. ✓

Sample 3 - Discontinue entirely

No. 4

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Suggest list names of Agents on ~~administrative~~ work. *

Sample 4

5 have Surveillance

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

MONTHLY ADMINISTRATIVE REPORT

Month of January

Year 1942

Office Submitting: Albany

This report mailed: February 2

Special Agent in Charge:

1		2		3				4	
Special Agent Accountants		Days on duty here		Cases assigned				Working days to complete invest.	
Names of all		Gen.	Acc.	Active		Inactive		Gen.	Acc.
		Gen.	Acc.	Gen.	Acc.	Gen.	Acc.	Gen.	Acc.
W. M. Smith		22	6		1		0		
J. J. Jones		18	10		3		1		
A. B. Roe		5	23		7		3		
TOTALS		45	39		11		4		
TOTAL NUMBER OF DAYS SPENT ON GENERAL ASSIGNMENTS		1250							
(The above figure should include the number of Days that Special Agent Accountants performed general investigative assignments.)									
NUMBER OF AGENTS WITH GENERAL ASSIGNMENTS AT END OF PERIOD		25							
(Special Agent Accountants with general assignments at the end of the period should also be included in this figure BUT Special Agents without any general assignments at the end of the period should not be included.)									
<u>ASSIGNED</u>		<u>DELINQUENT CASES</u>				<u>UNASSIGNED</u>			
Investigative		100				Investigative		50	
National Defense		150				National Defense		30	
Police Cases:						Police Cases			
Regular		10				Regular		0	
National Defense		60	70			National Defense		30	30
Accounting		5				Accounting			0
TOTAL ASSIGNED		325				TOTAL UNASSIGNED		110	
TOTAL NUMBER OF DEFERRED CASES		75							

Approved: _____
Special Agent in Charge

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ADMINISTRATIVE REPORT, Page 3. Division:

Month of

Year

11	12	13	14	15
Persons Involved or Title by class number	Date Received by Office	Date Assigned	Date Last Report	Remarks
	LEADS - POLICE ORGANIZATIONS JANUARY - 1942			
NO. ASS'D. AT END OF PERIOD			NO. CLOSED DURING PERIOD	
REGULAR	XX		REGULAR	XX
NATIONAL DEFENSE	XX		NATIONAL DEFENSE	XX
TOTAL	XXX			XXX
	<i>approved by Bureau</i> AGENTS ENGAGED IN ADMINISTRATIVE OR SUPERVISORY WORK EXCLUDED OF THE D.C. <i>signature</i> <i>signature</i> <i>original page</i>			

NAME

JOHN DOE

WRG:jh

August 11, 1942

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

The Executive Conference, consisting of Messrs. Tolson, E. A. Tamm, Ladd, Nichols, Hendon, Rosen, Tracy, Quinn Tamm, Hince, and Glavin, considered the suggested revision of the monthly administrative report. The following suggestions were made by the Chief Clerk's Office:

1. That the listing of the names of all Agents together with the number of days each was on duty and the number of cases assigned to each be discontinued and in lieu thereof that the totals only be furnished, with the exception that Accountants be listed in detail.

For the Director's information the old report, labelled "1", attached hereto, reflects the manner in which this information has up to the present time been furnished by the Field and the revised report, with the designation "1-A" shows how this information would be included on the revised administrative report.

The Conference recommends approval of this change.

2. It is further suggested that the cases at the end of the period as is reflected on page 2 of the Field report be not broken down into the category as "here" and "other offices" as is the case at the present time. A portion of the old administrative report, with the designation "2", reflects the manner in which this information is reported at the present time. It is the suggestion of the Chief Clerk's Office that column No. 10, showing the cases pending at the end of the period, be combined so as to eliminate the necessity of showing the cases originating at the office reporting and cases having other offices of origin. We would still have the definite information concerning the number of cases being opened by the office of origin under column No. 7. The detailed information in column No. 10 is not needed or used at this time. In the proposed report, labelled "2-A", is reflected the manner in which this information would be reported should this suggestion be approved.

Mr. Tolson _____
Mr. E. A. Tamm _____
Mr. Clegg _____
Mr. Glavin _____
Mr. Ladd _____
Mr. Nichols _____
Mr. Rosen _____
Mr. Tracy _____
Mr. Carson _____
Mr. Coffey _____
Mr. Hendon _____
Mr. Kramer _____
Mr. McGuire _____
Mr. Quinn Tamm _____
Mr. Nease _____
Miss Gandy _____

The Conference approves the adoption of this suggestion.

3. It is further suggested that the detailed national defense report section of the administrative report be discontinued since no composite report is now made from this information.

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The Conference recommends approval of this suggestion to discontinue the submission of this detailed national defense report monthly.

4. The further recommendation was made that there be listed in the report as is reflected on the suggested report labelled "4" the names of all Agents engaged in administrative, supervisory, or desk work in the Field Offices.

5. It was suggested that a tabulation be received from the Field showing the number of Agent-days work performed on technical, physical, or other types of surveillances in the particular Field Office. This information should not be difficult to secure and it will definitely show the Director the number of Agent-days work being performed on different types of surveillances by the Agent personnel of each Field Division.

The Conference recommends approval of suggestions No. 4 and No. 5.

Should the Director approve, appropriate instructions will immediately go forward to the Field in this matter.

Respectfully,
FOR THE CONFERENCE

Clyde Tolson
Chairman

W. R. Glavin
Secretary

Attachment

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Federal Bureau of Investigation
United States Department of Justice
Washington, D. C.
August 17, 1942

JSR:VH

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. TOLSON

RE: IN-SERVICE TRAINING COURSE
July 20 TO July 31, 1942
SPECIAL AGENT R. B. HOOD
EOD September 24, 1934
GRADE CAF 14
SALARY \$6500
ASSIGNED TO: Los Angeles

Mr. Tolson	✓
Mr. E. A. Tamm	✓
Mr. Clegg	✓
Mr. Glavin	✓
Mr. Ladd	✓
Mr. Nichols	✓
Mr. Rosen	✓
Mr. Tracy	✓
Mr. Carson	
Mr. Coffey	
Mr. Hendon	
Mr. Kramer	
Mr. McGuire	
Mr. Quinn Tamm	
Mr. Nease	
Miss Gandy	

This Special Agent attended the In-Service Training Course as indicated above, during which period he was afforded a physical examination.

This Special Agent attained the following grades:

Photographic Training ---
Notebook ---
Written Examination ---
Practical Public Speaking ---

Hip Shooting 98
Practical Pistol Course 90
Shotgun 100
.30 Rifle 84
Machine Gun 98
Firearms Good

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

REMARKS: Interviewing Official - Mr. Hince

"I talked to SAC Hood at considerable length about his last inspection. He indicated a complete understanding of all matters including delinquencies. Hood, in my opinion, is an outstanding man. He has the appearance, the personality, intelligence and stability which should be part of the make-up of an Agent in Charge of a large office. I would rate Hood as 'excellent'."



Very truly yours,

H. H. Clegg

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Federal Bureau of Investigation
United States Department of Justice
Los Angeles, California
May 29, 1942

17 May Walker

*Sug. #69a
Glasier*

Adams: Traffic Reports - Jim

Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Washington, D. C.

RE: SUGGESTIONS

Dear Sir:

There are being submitted herewith two suggestions for the consideration of the Bureau, both of which were mentioned in my recent conversations with Mr. Hoover and Mr. Tolson.

Very truly yours,

R. B. Hood
R. B. HOOD
Special Agent in Charge

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JOHN EDGAR HOOVER
DIRECTOR



Federal Bureau of Investigation
United States Department of Justice
Washington, D. C.

September 9, 1942

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MEMORANDUM FOR MR. TOLSON

Richard B.

In a conversation with SAC Hood last evening, he stated he had not had any vacation for three years; that his wife had not been well for sometime and that he would like to take two weeks leave beginning Friday, September 11th. He stated he would be within six or eight hours from the office at all times and would keep in daily contact.

I told him to plan on this and to take leave beginning this Friday.

Respectfully,

LBN
L. B. Nichols

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Miss Beahm _____
Miss Gandy _____

FOR DEFENSE



RICHARD B. HOOD
Special Agent in Charge
FBI Field Division, Los Angeles, California

In charge of the Los Angeles Field Office of the Federal Bureau of Investigation since February 7, 1930, with the exception of a five-month period in 1940 as Special Agent in Charge at San Diego, is Richard B. Hood. Mr. Hood was born on August 28, 1908, at Newcomer, Pennsylvania. He received his A.B. Degree at Dartmouth and was graduated from the University of Pittsburgh Law School with an LL.B. Degree in 1934.

Mr. Hood was appointed as a Special Agent of the FBI on September 24, 1934. He has served in FBI Field Offices throughout the United States. He has been Special Agent in Charge of offices at Knoxville, New Orleans and San Diego.

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PERSONAL

Mr. S. B. Hood
Federal Bureau of Investigation
U. S. Department of Justice
910 Security Building
Los Angeles, California

Dear Mr. Hood:

I wanted to write you this personal note extending my congratulations on the occasion of the presentation of a citation to you by the American Committee of the American Legion.

This is certainly a splendid honor which reflects creditably upon your leadership and is a fitting tribute to the Bureau. I am counting on you to continue your good work.

With best wishes and kind regards,

Sincerely yours,

Mr. Tolson
Mr. E. A. Tamm
Mr. Clegg
Mr. Glavin
Mr. Ladd
Mr. Nichols
Mr. Rosen
Mr. Tracy
Mr. Carson
Mr. Coffey
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VULTEE FIELD DIVISION

VULTEE FIELD, CALIFORNIA U.S.A.

November 5, 1942

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Commemorative

Mr. J. Edgar Hoover, Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Hoover,

I was privileged to be a guest at the recent luncheon for the California State Peace Officers Association for which Special Agents in Charge Hood, Pieper and Nathan were hosts. This luncheon was one of the most interesting and at the same time different from any that I have attended. I thought you would be interested in knowing that very many favorable and complimentary comments were made after the luncheon by those who attended. I think the procedure initiated was a very wise move on the part of the Bureau and one that was definitely appreciated by the various Peace Officers present.

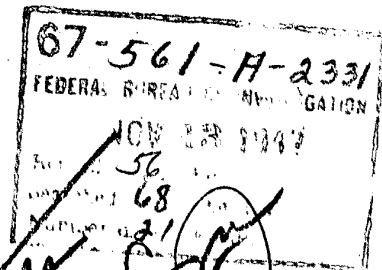
Very truly yours,

VULTEE AIRCRAFT, INC.

Val C. Zimmer

Val C. Zimmer, Director
Plant Protection Dept.
Vultee Field Division

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Mr. Tolson ✓
 Mr. E. A. Tamm ✓
 Mr. Clegg ✓
 Mr. Glavin ✓
 Mr. Ladd ✓
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 Mr. Hendon ✓
 Mr. Kramer ✓
 Mr. McGuire ✓
 Mr. Quinn ✓
 Mr. Nease ✓
 Miss Gandy ✓

Hotel Ambassador
 New York, N. Y.
 October 12th, 1942.

J. Edgar Hoover
 Federal Bureau of Investigation
 U. S. Department of Justice
 Washington, D. C.

My dear Mr. Hoover:

I have just returned from the coast where I had the great pleasure of meeting both Mr. Richard Hood and Mr. Dick Horgan. The boys were very nice to me and I enjoyed my visits with them.

I am leaving New York for Palm Beach on Friday but I am planning to be there only about two weeks as I am trying to return to San Bernadino on November 1st.

If there is anything that you can think of or any way that I may be of service during my stay in Palm Beach, please let me know. My first mission on arrival will be to send you some fruit jelly and the kind of nuts that we both like. I tried to send you some fruit from California but the fruit that looked beautiful was tasteless and the other I was really ashamed to send, it looked so withered.

To say that I congratulate you on the marvelous work you are doing is such a mild statement and sounds almost silly to write it. God Bless you and keep you in perfect health.

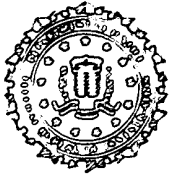
Sincerely,

Kim Moran
 KIM MORAN

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*Mr. Moran
 advised by
 telephone -
 9:10 A.M.
 10/16/42
 P.H.C.*

146 Dunbar Road
 Palm Beach, Fla.



Federal Bureau of Investigation
United States Department of Justice

Washington, D. C.
November 20, 1942

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Mr. Tolson ✓
Mr. E. A. Tamm
Mr. Clegg
Mr. Glavin ✓
Mr. Ladd
Mr. Nichols
Mr. Rosen
Mr. Tracy
Mr. Carson
Mr. Coffey
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MEMORANDUM FOR MR. TOLSON

Pursuant to your request I telephoned Mr. Connelley at Chicago and inquired concerning his opinion of Assistant SAC Belmont. Connelley said that based upon his observations both at New York City and Chicago he thought Belmont did not have the capacity to handle the Chicago Office. He said as a matter of fact he thought that he could only handle a very small office if any at all. He said he based his opinion on his observation of Belmont's general knowledge, the handling of personnel, judgment and ability to analyze a situation in addition to other qualities. Connelley felt that he was OK as an assistant but that he did not have a very high ceiling.

I later inquired of him as to whom he might recommend to run the Chicago Office. He said certainly there was no one in Chicago now who could handle it and he was most sceptical about anyone in the field who could possibly be spared. He said he would go over the list and when he called back he recommended in order SACs Conroy, Hood, X Pieper, X McKee, X Donegan and X Brantley. He said he understood that probably none of these men could be relieved of their present assignments and he would thereafter recommend in order SACs X Bugas, X Thornton, X Sears, X Drayton, X Soucy and X Boardman. I specifically inquired of him what he thought of SAC X Piper at Buffalo. He said he had had but two or three contacts with Piper and did not know him very well but from those contacts he felt Piper was probably just average. He further stated that he felt the Chicago Office was run down, that the fullest possibilities were not being realized there and that the office needed someone who was strong enough to rejuvenate the whole situation.

I also called SAC Conroy who stated that Belmont definitely was not of the caliber to run the Chicago Office. He said Belmont did not have the maturity of judgment and just was not heavy enough to operate a big office. He said Belmont apparently was carrying on all right as Assistant at Chicago and might get along in a small office. He too pointed out that Chicago has lapsed into a second rate office which it should not be and that with a strong man in control it could soon be built up into a key office.

Conroy said that he felt of all of the men who were possibly available to take over Chicago he would highly recommend SAC Kenneth Piper of the Buffalo Office. He said that Piper



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is a work horse, he has ideas, is aggressive and seemed to have real ability. He stated Piper was certainly head and shoulders above Belmont. I told Conroy to get in his preliminary report on the Chicago inspection immediately and to particularly comment concerning Belmont's ability.

Respectfully,



✓ R. C. Hendon

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I have designated
Drayton as SAC at Chicago.
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Mr. Tolson
advised 11-20-42
for

JSR:MS

December 19, 1942

N. B. G.

SAC, Los Angeles

Re: NEW AGENTS' WEEKLY CONFERENCES

Dear Sir:

The Bureau is in receipt of your letter dated December 4th in the above entitled matter in which the following two sentences appear:

"The entire session was devoted to the construction and use of the Thompson Submarine gun and the shotgun. The Agents were instructed in the manner of loading and fuel stripping of these weapons."

From the above two underscored errors it does not appear that you are giving proper supervision and attention to the reading of outgoing communications, and it is expected that hereafter letters containing such obvious errors as those noted herein will be corrected by you prior to the transmittal of these letters to the Bureau.

Yours truly,

John Edgar Hoover
Director

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December 29, 1942

Mr. R. B. Hood
Special Agent in Charge
Federal Bureau of Investigation
U. S. Department of Justice
900 Security Building
Los Angeles, California

Dear Mr. Hood:

This is in reference to the suggestions contained in your letter dated December 11, 1942, concerning the solicitation of the public through free announcements and inserts via friendly radio stations and farm publications looking to the maintenance of close contact by persons subject to the Selective Training and Service Act with their Local Draft Boards.

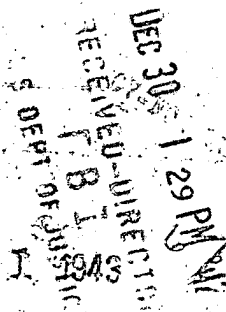
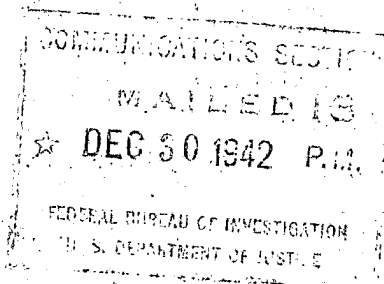
I have given this matter considerable thought and it is my opinion that it would not be advisable at this time. I am of the opinion that such an undertaking would be the function and responsibility of the Selective Service System since it is a matter of administration rather than one of investigation looking to law enforcement.

I do want you to know that I appreciate the study you are giving this problem as displayed by your communication.

Sincerely,

J. Edgar Hoover

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Los Angeles, California
December 11, 1942

Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Washington, D. C.

RE: SELECTIVE SERVICE

Dear Sir:

Every effort is being made in the Los Angeles Field Division to reduce the number of pending Selective Service cases at the earliest possible time. Additional Special Agents are being placed on this assignment, and a squad of 25 Agents is now handling these cases. A review of the cases discloses that many of the persons delinquent in this area are itinerant migratory workers who are exceptionally hard to locate. They are not known, they have no definite homes, and even the persons by whom they have been employed do not, in many instances, know their names. This is especially true in the work camps maintained by the larger ranches. It has been found that most persons of this type sooner or later have some dealings with local law enforcement agencies and every effort has been made here to have the officers check individuals coming into their custody to be certain that their Selective Service status is current; and in Los Angeles frequent checks are made in "skid row" by the local department for violators of the Selective Service Act. As a result, from five to seven hundred individuals are handled by Special Agents as a result of reports received from the police departments each month. Some of the smaller departments have one officer devoting his full time to this work and here in the City of Los Angeles, the entire time of one Special Agent is taken up by interviews with the persons being held at the Central Jail as potential Selective Service violators. In addition, a number of persons are interviewed who are held by the police on local charges where there is any indication they may be delinquent.

This has been mentioned by the Bureau to all Field Divisions, nevertheless it does not appear that all offices are carrying on an intensive program of this type if inquiries received here from other offices are any indication of the extent of the program. Aside from several nearby offices very few inquiries of this type are received. As a result of the program here with the nearby offices, approximately 125 teletypes are sent and received each day. It is believed that in the long run, the checking of these persons through the police will result in the location of the largest number of Selective Service delinquents. The program will be pursued vigorously here, as it has been the most successful single program that has yet been inaugurated which finally brings good results.

The suggestion is submitted to the Bureau that authority be obtained to maintain contact with some friendly radio stations and requests made there for brief announcements to be made at the conclusion of news broadcasts and between programs to remind the citizens that they should keep in

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touch with their Draft Boards. With the critical manpower situation existing in the country, it is believed that this would be acceptable to most radio stations and it is known definitely at least one station in Los Angeles would be pleased to do this for the Bureau. The announcement would carry the name of the Bureau if it were so desired, for example, "The F.B.I. requests that all persons registered under Selective Service maintain close contact with their Draft Boards." Another type of comment if the Bureau's name were not to be used would be, "Have you notified your Selective Service Board of your change of address? Manpower is necessary to the war effort. Keep in close contact with your Selective Service Board." Other similar quotations of the type could be easily prepared. I will appreciate being advised if the Bureau will permit the Los Angeles Office to inaugurate this program.

Contact is being made with the Federal and State Agricultural Departments to obtain a list of all mediums of communications with the farmers so that articles can be inserted in their publications and delivered personally at grange meetings and the like with the request that ranchers, farm owners, and responsible persons verify with their employees that the latter are not delinquent with their Draft Boards. Many of these publications are read by the farm hands themselves, and in those instances where these publications appear in the Spanish language, the item could appear in that language. It is believed this will reach a large number of persons and make them conscious of the Bureau's Selective Service program.

In Los Angeles arrangements are being made with the Police Department to have auxiliary police endeavor to locate some of the persons residing in the city who cannot otherwise be found. One or two hundred such cases will be handled to determine how successful this program can be. These auxiliary officers are under the direct control of the police department and will be supervised closely by regular police officers.

In an effort to locate some of the fugitives of this type of case, Agents of this office who are working on national defense assignments other than Selective Service are being requested to furnish their names to the Selective Service Supervisor if they desire, on their own time in addition to their regular work, to conduct an investigation looking towards the apprehension of a Selective Service fugitive. Many Agents in national defense work are eager for a fugitive investigation and will, it is believed, gladly perform overtime to effect the apprehension of a fugitive.

While many of the investigations can be performed by Special Agents to locate Selective Service violators, there are many of them which can be handled more successfully by correspondence and every effort is made to conserve the time of the Agents and handle these cases by routine communication. It has been found that in many cases, it takes several days for an Agent to locate

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one of these violators with the result that little, if any, progress can be made in the number of cases closed. Consequently many Agents are being directed to inaugurate programs such as those outlined above that will enable one or two Agents to handle the largest number of cases possible. Any additional projects in connection with Selective Service which have been successfully instituted in other sections of the country will be well-received if the Bureau will recommend them to this office.

Yours truly,

R. B. HOOD
Special Agent in Charge

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